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Could hear him by late or history,
The course of a Want Advertiser in the SUNDAY
POST-DISPATCH runs smoothly on to success and
prosperity."

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"Love looks not with the eyes, but
with the mind;
And therefore is winged Cupid painted
blind."

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wants in the SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH.
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FOUR HANGED.

Quartette of Murderers Executed
at Louisville.

Two Whites and Two Negroes Pay
the Law's Penalty.

THE DROP FELL AT 7:55 O'CLOCK THIS
MORNING.

All Marched to the Gallows Firmly and
the Awful Tragedy Was Without
Hitch—In Eight Minutes Life Was
Declared Extinct in Each—History of
the Bloody Crimes for Which They
Suffered.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 9.—At sunrise this
morning Dennis McCarthy, Stephen Hite,
Grant Thomas, colored, and Nelson Lewis,
colored, paid upon the scaffold the penalty of
willful murder.

At 7:45 o'clock the four condemned men
entered the yard of the jail and saw for the
first time the scaffold where death awaited
them. Up the steps of the scaffold they
marched, Hite leading. He walked firmly
across beneath the noose to the west, McCar-
thy next to him, Thomas next and Lewis
under the noose to the east.

All but Thomas stood with bowed heads.
He looked about at the crowd and bowed to
men he knew in the crowd, and at the win-
dows of the jail. The deputies arranged the
nooses and plinked the men at 7:48 o'clock.
Hite, while being plinked, kicked off the
slippers he wore. The priests talked con-
tinually to Hite and McCarthy, and the
colored ministers spoke occasionally to
Thomas and Lewis. Thomas glanced curi-
ously at the rope and beam above him.

At 7:47 o'clock the cap was adjusted over
McCarthy's head, and then quickly over the
others. Not one spoke. The noose was then
adjusted on Hite, Thomas, McCarthy and
Lewis at 7:49. All stood firm. McCarthy
yawned as the noose was adjusted.

THE DROP FELL.

At 7:54 the drop fell. Hite struggled with

were sung, prayer was offered and the
preachers told Lewis that if he had any sins
hidden he should kneel and make a final ap-
peal to his Maker. Lewis knelt at once and
offered a prayer that surprised those who
heard it. He asked that peace be among all
men.

At 8:05 o'clock Dennis McCarthy put on a
neat black suit, white shirt, collar and cuffs.
He washed his face and combed his hair and
beard. Fr. Lawler entered his cell a moment
later. Fr. Brady, wearing his priestly robes,
went to Hite's cell at 8:20 o'clock. They
prayed together. At this moment services
were going on in each of the four cells and the
effect was most solemn. Some prayed, others
sang and others exhorted the doomed men.

THEIR LAST SUNDAY.

Daylight was now breaking through the
jail windows. Not more than eight or ten
persons were in the corridor, all the relatives
having left except Lewis' brother
William, who remained to take charge of the
body. He said he did not want to see his
brother die, and would remain back in the
jail.

At 8:45 o'clock Grant Thomas made a talk
to his minister. He said: "I die an innocent
man, and God will punish those who
sware my life away."

At 8:50 o'clock, just before the Sheriff en-
tered, breakfast was brought to Dennis Mc-

Carthy. He was indifferent to what was going on
in his own case, and when let out into the
jail corridor never talked to the prisoners
about him.

STEPHEN R. HITE.

The saddest case of the quartette was that
of Stephen R. Hite. Hite, a married man, was
sentenced to death on Sept. 20, 1891, because
Baurmann would not share with him a
bucket of beer the victim was taking home
from the corner grocery.

He leaves a wife and beautiful little daugh-
ter, who have been devoted to him through-
out the trial.

A sad marriage ceremony was performed at
the jail on the morning of Nov. 30. Hite
and his wife stood up in the death section and
Dr. Brady performed the solemn service of
the Catholic Church.

Hite wore for his wedding suit the one in
which he died to-day. He stood up in his
pretty little daughter, and only the three
doomed men and the death watch were
witnesses. Holy communion was first ad-
ministered by Fr. York.

On Nov. 29 the prisoner and his little
daughter, Willie, were received into the
church. The wife and mother was already a
member, and it was at her request that the
marriage occurred this morning. It was per-
haps the only event of the kind that
occurred in an American prison.

After the ceremony Hite said:
"You have no idea what a terrible mental
suffering I have undergone in the year I have
been here. I can no longer read, although I
used to be a good reader. I am now unable
to talk. The thought of my wife and child is
before me all the time, and I am so sick I
can hardly stand. I have a terrible mental
disgrace of my father being hanged."

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DRUNK AT MASS.

Fr. Wm. Walsh's Experience With
Saturday Night Revelers.

They Come Intoxicated From Club
Balls to St. Bridget's Church.

WHY THE PRIEST ATTACKS SOCIAL
CLUB DEVOTEES.

It Is Because "They Drink All Night
Long Daylight, and Then Go to Mass
in the Morning"—Each and Every
One Seen at Break of Day on Sunday
—Insulting Note to Fr. Walsh—The
Crusade Continues.

Fr. Wm. Walsh of St. Bridget's certainly
has good cause for attacking the "social
club" system of Saturday night dances.

He says that these all-night-Saturday-night
balls are actually kept up until 4:30 and
5:00 o'clock Sunday morning, and that the
Gothic young men and women who have at-
tended them then go to mass at St. Bridget's
Church on their way home from the ball, when
they are so intoxicated that they either
create an unseemly disturbance or else go
fast asleep during services.

"This has occurred so often," said Fr.
Walsh to a Post-Dispatch reporter to-day,
"that some of my parishioners have made a
formal request of me that the doors of St.
Bridget's Church be closed against these
reluctant duties after an entire night of
bacchanalian revelry."

"Let me tell you what I saw the other Sun-
day morning. It was at 4:30 o'clock, and I
had just dressed and was about to go
across the street to the church for
my daily mass. I opened my window and
saw a young man and woman who were
sprawled flat across the street-railroad track
while the young girl with him was trying to
lift him up. They were returning home from
a Saturday night ball."

A WOODBINE STAMPEDE.

The two Frs. Walsh, Fr. William and
his nephew, Fr. Thomas, are evidently deter-
mined to put an end to the social club
system. Following the Post-Dispatch's
account of Fr. Wm. Walsh's attack last Sun-
day on the Woodbine Club of Twenty-third
and Carondeau streets, that unflinching priest re-
solved to pay a visit of inspection to the
Woodbine Club-house, which is
only a block distant from the parochial
residence in St. Bridget's parish. It was 1
o'clock in the afternoon, but there were
some of the Woodbine members at the club
rooms, and Fr. Walsh's approach seems to
have created a commotion among them.

The father states that as he put his
foot on the stairs to ascend to the rooms,
a young man came running up. One of
the members started to run down and
escape that way, but saw Fr. Walsh and fled
back in despair. Another ran to the front
window of the club house and tried to
escape that way, but was stopped by Fr. Walsh.
He was actually afraid that they
would sometimes jump down to the
street and hurt themselves in their
drunken condition. He turned and walked
away. But that little incident shows that the
members of the Woodbine Club are boys and
not men."

RUSHING THE GROWLER.

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EFFECT IN COLORADO.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 9.—Since silver fell to
90, mines have constantly been closing and
almost every day a report is received of some
property, large or small, discharging men.
There are hundreds of mines not being
worked. Many of them are small and their
output cuts no great figure, but the aggregate
of persons thrown out of employment is
large enough to exercise a material influ-
ence on the general conditions of the
trade. Colorado would be on the
verge of disaster were it not that
the resources other than precious metals
have been developed rapidly during the last
six or eight years. Last year the agricul-
tural products of the State exceeded by sev-
eral millions the whole product of gold, silver
and lead. Manufacturing and other interests
have grown largely, but there are large sec-
tions dependent almost wholly on mining,
and the merchants of many small towns do
business with none but miners. The belief is
widespread that if the report to the Brus-
sels conference is decided, and if the con-
ference, there will be another heavy drop
in silver, and that half the mines now be-
ing worked will be closed. Under such con-
ditions it is not likely there will be a dozen purely silver
mines in operation. Banks, merchants and
stores have put themselves in the strongest
possible position to meet the emergency,
and though closing the mines would
create a general stringency and cause hard-
ship to thousands of men, it will not likely
precipitate a serious commercial crash.

A Narrow Escape From Death in a Mil-
waukee Blaze.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 9.—At 2 o'clock
this morning fire was discovered in the light-
house squadron armory, on Broadway, by
officer Shannon. Before he could give the
alarm there was a loud explosion, breaking
nearly all the front windows, and a moment
later a great mass of flames was issuing from
the center windows on the second floor. The
fire department quickly arrived on the scene
and had hardly reached the building when
the cries of a boy were heard from the roof,
calling for a ladder. The Hayes ladder was
used to the roof and two of the firemen and
one police officer rushed up to the top and
found a man crouching on the roof four feet
from the edge. The man was a young man
named William Miller, the janitor of the
building. He was wearing a white shirt and
dark trousers, and was covered with soot.
George Miller and Jacob Fitzpatrick, who
were primarily responsible for the safety of
the armory, had been awakened from a sleep
what would otherwise have been a sleep of
peace. A rough estimate of the damage to
the building is placed at \$2,000, and loss of
contents \$10,000. Nothing is known of the
origin of the fire.

FIRE IN A MINE.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., Dec. 9.—At an early hour
this morning fire was discovered in the air-
shaft of the Lytle Coal Co.'s colliery, lo-
cated at Primrose, a mile and a half west of
Minersville. A gang had been at work at the
foot of the slope and were separating their
work on different parts of the mine, when
the fire was discovered near the foot
of the shaft. The shaft was immediately
closed, and means at once taken to
subdue the flames before they gained too
much headway. This is the same colliery
which was flooded April 20 by the bursting in
of an unknown body of water, and by which
ten miners were drowned.

THE PRESIDENT'S GRIEF.

One Sorrow Has Followed Another Since
His Stay in the White House.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 9.—A personal
friend of President Harrison, an Episcopalian,
who passed some hours at the White House a
few days ago, says

WAS TO BE WEDDED

Alfred Bahne Disappears On the Eve of Marriage.

A ST. LOUISAN DISAPPOINTS A CINCINNATI GIRL.

He Went to Cincinnati to Meet His Sweetheart, But Failed to Do So and Nothing Has Been Heard of Him Since—His Cousin's Advertisement and Explanation.

Yesterday the following advertisement appeared in the "personal" columns of the Post-Dispatch:

PERSONAL—Alfred Bahne: Your mother is dying, come home at once.

The mysterious disappearance of a prospective bridegroom on the eve of his wedding, a silence like that of the grave following a hurried visit of the intended bride and her mother to St. Louis from Cincinnati, and finally the desperate illness of the mother of the missing man, is the story behind the "personal" of yesterday.

Alfred Bahne has been missing for nearly five months.

He lived until about five months ago, with his parents at No. 740 South Seventh street, in this city. He was 25 years old, apparently a steady young man, and was employed as a car-painter at the Pullman repair works. His parents were good German people, his father, Ernest Bahne, keeping a little grocery at Seventh and Spruce. About a year ago, young Bahne was working in Cincinnati. There he met and fell in love with a young lady and became engaged in the face of parental objections from both families. Bahne returned to St. Louis, and according to the stories now told by his relatives, it was after his return that objections to his marriage with the Cincinnati girl were overcome.

THE REALITY FAIR.

It appears that while the light of parental opposition to the young lady's health began to fail, and that it was decided that her marriage to young Bahne should take place. It was intended that they should be married last September. Suddenly, in August, a month before the date set for the marriage, Bahne determined, his relatives state, to go to Cincinnati and wed the girl then. He accordingly left St. Louis, presumably for Cincinnati. Bahne's father, his departure was so timed that, if he were to Cincinnati, he must have met and passed his sweetheart and her mother on their way to St. Louis, they too, apparently having been seized with the same idea of having the wedding come off before the appointed time. Owing to this peculiar mischance, when the young lady and her mother reached St. Louis they found that Alfred Bahne was not here, and were told that he had gone to Cincinnati to meet them. They then hurried back to Cincinnati, but Bahne never appeared there, nor has anything been heard from him since, either by his relatives in St. Louis or his fiancée in Cincinnati.

HIS RELATIVES' PROFOUND IGNORANCE.

His cousin, a young man named Zesch, who inserted the personal in the Post-Dispatch yesterday, states to-day that the family has no idea where Bahne can be. When he left St. Louis he had only about \$50 with him, not enough to make them fear robbery and foul play. He was, they state, in no trouble of any sort, had no debts, was of a steady, saving disposition, and had no indication of depression of spirits or mental trouble that might have led him to suicide. His relatives state that he had no trouble with the young lady that would have rendered it probable that he was trying to escape from her. In fact, they know, they state, is that he left St. Louis to go to her, and has not been heard of since.

In the meantime his mother has been taken ill and is now dying. The young man led them to advertise for the missing man. The cousin states that Bahne has worked at his trade in Boston and Cincinnati, and they intend advertising for him in those cities also.

WHERE JUSTICE IS SWIFT.

Two St. Louis Thieves Given Severe Sentences in Tennessee.

A specimen of how justice is dealt out in other cities was illustrated by a communication received by Chief of Police Harrigan to-day from the Chief of Police of Memphis. Two men were arrested in Memphis on suspicion. St. Louis was communicated with, the men were identified as parties who had committed a robbery here, they were tried and sentenced to ten years each in the penitentiary for bringing stolen money into the State of Tennessee, in ten days.

On Nov. 10 Thomas Hill reported that \$70 had been stolen from his room at Broadway and Clark streets. He suspected the two young men, named John McQuillan, alias Bradley, and James Hall, alias O'Neill. He had been drinking with them during the afternoon and repaired to his room and went to sleep. When he awoke he saw them in his room. They ran away when he saw them and disappeared from their haunts. They had been in the vicinity of sixth and Spruce streets.

About two weeks ago Chief Harrigan was notified by Chief of Police W. C. Davis of Memphis, that he had two young men arrested on suspicion, and sent descriptions of them. They were noticed to be spending money freely and the bills were of large denominations. When they were arrested \$20 was found on them. A description of the money was also sent. The description of the money was money was submitted to Hill, who went to Memphis and identified the men.

The Memphis authorities would not allow the men to be taken back to St. Louis to be tried, but tried them in Memphis on a charge of bringing stolen money into the State. This morning Chief Harrigan received a letter from Chief Davis of Memphis, dated Dec. 8, stating that the men had been sentenced to ten years each in the penitentiary. Had they been brought back to St. Louis they would hardly have been rested from the fatigue of the journey, and beginning to think of employing a lawyer to defend them.

DOLLS' SHOES.

See our Display.

J. G. BRANDT SHOE CO., Broadway and Lucas av.

HE TRIED TO KISS HER.

That Is What Birdie Walton Said of Mr. W. J. King.

Birdie Walton of 512 Brooklyn street called on Mr. Estep this morning and applied for a warrant against Mr. W. J. King of 5124 Easton avenue, who assists Rev. Dr. Carradine in conducting the First Church Mission at Fourteenth and Franklin avenues. She said she and her sister had been waiting for Mr. King at 5124 Easton avenue, sewing dresses for dolls which were to be given away to the poor at Christmas. Last Monday they went to his house and Birdie told him she did not want to work for him any more. Birdie, who is only 14 years of age, says he told her he would get her a place and requested her to meet him at a certain corner Monday night. She said she met him and he tried to kiss and fondle her but she resisted his advances. He took her to Dr. Carradine's house, she says, and the following day Dr. Carradine put her in the Magdalen Home. She left there Wednesday evening and returned to her home on Brooklyn street. Mr. Estep refused to issue the warrant, as the girl said Mr. King had not insulted her or made improper advances. Mr. King denied the girl's story and said he thought she was put up to it.

A LONG-HELD tale is supplied by Fairbank's Clairette Soap. It is without a rival. You will be glad when you have tried it. Washes cleaner and easier than any other kinds.

SEVERE SENTENCES.

The Men Who Stole Dr. Dorsett's Buggy Severely Punished.

Dr. W. B. Dorsett had the pleasure this morning of seeing the two men who drove off his buggy last Wednesday severely punished in the Police Court by a heavy fine of \$400 each, and sentenced to the work-house for six months for failure to pay the fine. Dr. Dorsett was visiting a patient at 1714 North Third street Wednesday evening about 9 o'clock and left his horse and buggy outside. John Hogan and Charles Ryan, unknown burglars, drove off the horse and buggy at 9 o'clock that night. Officer Ronlon caught the pair with the horse and buggy at Tenth street and Clark avenue. The horse had been driven so hard it could scarcely move. A satchel full of surgical instruments and the buggy were missing. Dr. Dorsett, who had been in the police court this morning by the name of Morris, Dr. Dorsett swore out a warrant against Hogan and Ryan charging them with grand larceny, and as soon as they are released from the work-house they will be prosecuted for the theft of the instruments, which were valued at over \$100.

WITH A PISTOL.

Suicide of a Wealthy Bostonian This Morning.

BOSTON, Dec. 9.—R. R. Paulson, a Canadian gentleman about 45 years of age, reported to be very wealthy, committed suicide at the Hotel Thorndyke this morning at 12:30, by shooting himself in the back of the neck with a pistol. The cause of the deed is not known. Mr. Paulson and his wife have been stopping at the hotel since they arrived in Boston. An autopsy will be held to-day. Paulson went to Detroit from Boston seven or eight years ago. He was a successful business man and local manufacturing concern there, and from that time he has been in the business of localizing and claiming the Lake Superior territory. He interested a great deal of capital at one time about thirty square miles of territory under his control. His exploitation of the ancient diggings of silver mines at Lake Superior, Minn., made him pretty well known. He married Mrs. J. A. Leggett, daughter of Alfred Russell, a few years ago, and went to Florida where he had an orange grove, gravitating between Florida, Boston and Detroit.

DID THE SHOP-KEEPER COMMIT SUICIDE?

WINNIPEG, Dec. 9.—A Hebrew shop-keeper, who was anxious to do some business yesterday, viewed a raw-looking Englishman into his store and prevailed on him to buy an old muzzle-loading gun for \$2. After making the purchase the Englishman took the gun to his hotel, and upon making an examination of the barrel filled with lead, he supposed to be old paper. He took the weapon to a gunsmith to have the obstacle removed, and to his amazement the gunsmith drew out bill after bill, until he had a pile of money amounting to \$700. How the money came there is a mystery.

VINAIGRETTES FOR XMAS GIFTS.

\$5 to \$25.

Mermod & Jaccard's, Broadway, cor. Locust.

THE SOUTHWESTERN RAILWAY ASSOCIATION.

The Rate Committee of the Southwestern Railway and Steamship Association held another meeting in the gentlemen's parlor at the Southern this morning. All of the members of the committee were not present, and until a full attendance is had, no business of importance will be transacted. The morning hours were consumed in discussing the rates to be charged on the committee which was adopted yesterday, a synopsis of which was published in the Post-Dispatch of Dec. 8. The meeting adjourned at 1:30 o'clock until 8 o'clock when a full attendance is expected.

XMAS SLIPPERS—the finest assortment in the city.

to select from.

J. G. BRANDT SHOE CO., Broadway and Lucas av.

A Record Broken.

Waco, Tex., Dec. 9.—A local cotton press here yesterday compressed 1,340 bales in nine hours and five minutes, against the Galveston record of 1,200 bales in ten hours. This beats the world's compressing record.

One of the greatest household treasures is Fairbank's Clairette Soap. Its beauty is only exceeded by its usefulness. Try it.

WHISKY RATES ADVANCED.

PEORIA, Ill., Dec. 9.—Another advance in the price of distillery goods was made here last evening that went into effect this morning. The advance is 10 cents per gallon on all alcohol and cents per proof gallon on spirits and rectified goods.

SATURDAY AT Scruggs, Vandervoort & Barney

DRY GOODS CO. South Center Aisle, Main Floor.

NOTICE CLOSING PRICES MADE FOR SATURDAY

On the following lots

Men's Shirts and Drawers, In Wool, Camel's Hair and Merino, medium and heavy weights, in broken lines, goods we have sold regular at \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2, ALL MADE UNIFORM PRICE OF \$1 EACH.

SATURDAY

Will offer, in addition to our regular Medium-Priced Wraps, 2000 OF THE BEST WINTER JACKETS

That have ever been put upon the market at the price. Styles, Shapes and Materials unsurpassed, and are from 33 to 50 per cent below October prices.

\$4.60 Black Cheviot Jacket, \$5.00 Black Storm Serge Jacket, \$5.75 Black Diagonal Beaver Jacket, \$7.50 Black and Navy Cheviot Jacket, \$9.50 Black Heavy Cheviot Jacket, \$10.50 Navy and Black Storm Serge Jacket, \$11.50 Black Reefer Front Storm Serge Jacket, also THE BEST LINE OF WRAPS, from \$12.00 to \$20.00, shown in the West.

200 New Wraps for Misses and Children For both Dress and School just opened.

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COME AND SEE THEM BURNING.

Mermod & Jaccard Jewelry Co., BROADWAY, COR. LOCUST.

THE WALKING DELEGATE.

From the Detroit Free Press.

The walking delegate never tired of talking of the strike. He held that it was justifiable if even a strike was, and he was prepared to demonstrate that it was perfectly proper to strike to secure any desired result. He told his wife, and she seemed to agree with him. She said it seemed to be the easiest way of enforcing a demand.

And that night when he came home he found that the table was not set.

"I know you've been bothering me for that dress for a month," he said. "But how about the supper?"

"There isn't any," she replied. "This is a strike!"

"Yes, a general tie-up. I've been trying to get you to arbitrate, why I've got to strike for some time, but now I mean to enforce my rights."

"Mary, do you dare—"

"O, don't talk to me that way! If I can't get you to arbitrate, why I've got to strike for some time, but now I mean to enforce my rights."

"I don't care if it does block the wheels of trade."

"But, Mary, you don't understand."

"Oh, yes, I do. I've made my demands, and they've been refused. I've asked for arbitration with a view to compromise, and that has also been refused. A strike is all that is left, and I've struck."

"But your demands are unreasonable."

"I don't think they are."

"You're the judge of your own demands when you strike, and I am just as good a judge as you are when I'm on my feet. It's no use talking. This strike is on."

She folded her arms in a determined way, and he subsided. It was perhaps half an hour later when he looked up and asked:

"In the strike still on?"

"It is still on," she replied.

"Aren't you hungry?"

"No. I saw that I had something in the treasury before the strike was ordered."

"Meaning the pantry?" he asked.

"Meaning the pantry," she returned.

"I believe I'll get a bite," he said.

"It's locked," she replied. "The reserve is to be used simply to keep the strike going. You can't touch the strikers' resources."

"Be careful, Mary," he said warningly. "I shut off the cash—"

She laughed and nodded toward the pantry.

"I can stick it out a week," she returned. Five or ten minutes later he proposed that they compromise on the basis of \$10.

"Twenty," she replied firmly.

"But that means ruin," he protested. "I can't afford it."

"That's your business," she answered. "It was 10 o'clock that night when he finally gave in, and somehow he felt that he had compromised a new phase of the strike business. It looked different from the other side of the fence."

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VOTING IN WYOMING is a foolish waste of time. The Republican election clerk does all the electing.

THE letter-carriers' contest of the SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH will be a genuine test of popularity. No votes can be collected by carriers.

MR. MULDOON'S services will not be required in reducing the new President's weight. The office-seekers will make a skeleton of him if they get half a chance.

AS THE Democratic majority for Delegate in New Mexico is only 579, and the Republican gain was 1,486, the more hopeful and conscientious Republican Senators may vote for admission.

THE reason that Atty.-Gen. Miller did not enforce the anti-trust law is made known in this report and might naturally have been anticipated. The trust lawyers were too smart for him.

THE apparent resolution of the Old Pretender to desert English for ancient and modern foreign languages is commendable. It will not contain less blunders, but they will be less offensive to the public.

WHILE the admission of Arizona and New Mexico is up for discussion Congress should consider the expediency of annexing Utah to Nevada, which would probably put an end to the pocket borough scandal.

THE treaty with Chili may be a very meritorious transaction, but it brings out the fact more prominently than ever that our foreign Ministers are too often mere claim agents to push grabs against helpless natives.

REV. DR. PARKHURST seems to be fighting sin with the devil's weapons, but as usually happens when very good men try to be practical, does not handle them with much skill. As a sin fighter the doctor is not a success.

"We will part company with Asia and South America rather than with you," said our American Prof. Andrews to the Europeans in the Monetary Conference. What do our Pan-American neighbors think of that?

"No man need fear danger to his morals here unless he is out looking for it," says Supt. Byrnes of the New York police. Possibly the best scheme for the purification of Gotham would be the arrest of every man there who is believed to be out looking for danger.

AS PENSIONS are really a military charge the bureau should be attached to the War Department as Representative Mutchler's bill provides. It would not be so profitable to politicians, sharks and professional mendicants, but it would suit taxpayers better.

THE steel rail-works at Bethlehem, Pa., have shut down for lack of orders, and yet the price rises still at \$30. If the Attorney-General will look into the matter he will probably find that it is merely an example of trust methods. Prices could not be maintained without some such support.

ATTY.-GEN. MILLER says trusts and other trade combinations are formed with great skill to evade the provisions of the law. Yet he cannot point to a decision on the subject. His opinion is purely gratuitous, without any foundation except in his own evident desire to shrink his duty.

THE plan of the firemen to have the fees of the Coal Oil Inspectorship turned into their pension fund is all right except in the matter of transferring the duties of the Inspector to the Chief of the Fire Department.

ment. The Coal Oil Inspector has no duties. The office is all fee and no work.

A LARGE number of negroes in Tennessee have been swindled by men who promised to secure pensions for them as slaves. Yet these negroes are expected to vote intelligently on important questions of governmental policy. If they are so easily handled by ordinary swindlers, what cannot dishonest politicians do with them?

THE only conceivable thing which would give an old company the advantage of a new company under equal terms in the matter of securing franchise privileges without adequate compensation is a "pull" on the authorities. The "pull" and the "influence" are made manifest by the conduct of officials.

MR. MCKINLEY does not seem to have learned anything from experience, but proposes to continue the fight for protection. There is something picturesque and perhaps admirable in a man who does not know when he is whipped, but valor untimely with discretion never won victories. It is magnificent, but it is not war.

CONGRESS should treat the immigration question in the broad spirit of humanity and liberty. The rights of asylum and free migration are in the corner-stone of American institutions, and class legislation in this matter would be more intolerable than failure to guard the country against the pauper and criminal refuse of the Old World.

If Uncle Jerry Rusk would crown his administration of the Agricultural Department with glory before he steps out he should proceed to crush the four moth of the Pacific Coast. It seems that the kind of silk spun by the four moth is not available in any of our silk industries and cannot be recommended to farmers who are looking for something more profitable than ordinary farming.

It may or may not be true that there is a clique of obstructionists in the Democratic party determined to prevent the passage of radical tariff reform laws. If there are such men they should join the Republicans and not go into the fight under false colors. The party is committed to tariff reduction on the whole plan and the people will not be satisfied with anything short of a great good of it. Any so-called Democratic politician who stands in the middle of the road and tries to stop the procession will get hurt.

THE proposal to suspend immigration for one year is not endorsed by all the people of all parties. There are grave doubts in some quarters whether such a measure would be either wise or just. There is a class which composes the bulk of immigration which should be prohibited for all time from landing on American shores, but there are others, capable, energetic and resourceful, who should be welcomed as valuable aid in the development of the country. Discrimination is called for in this as in all other matters.

THE progress of the Brussels Conference gives little promise of an international agreement on the coinage question. It is not likely that the American people would be satisfied with a solution which would satisfy the ruling classes of Europe. While such an agreement is desirable it is not necessary for a fairly satisfactory solution of the currency question in this country. We are strong enough to settle our currency difficulties in our own way, and if the Democratic Administration goes at the matter in a spirit of honesty and fairness to all classes of people it will hold this country and win the approval of others.

REPRESENTATIVE HARTER of Ohio is generally in touch with the people, but he does not display his usual wisdom in his bill reimposing the tax on sugar. The Democratic party is expected to take off taxes, not put them on. The large reductions promised will probably lead to increased revenues by encouraging imports, but if there is still a deficiency it must not be met by reimposing burdens upon consumption or industry. The country is tired of that and will have none of it. An income tax will place the cost of government where it belongs and in just proportion to individual ability. No indirectness will be tolerated.

THAT Prince Bismarck has a large share of shrewdness in his great brain is shown by the statement that he has made a heavy investment in the street railway property of a growing Western city. No other form of investment offers greater value and more assurance of enormous increase in future than the railway franchises of a growing city. As a rule they are given away with little or no provision for immediate or future compensation to the city. The folly and personal cupidity of city authorities are the opportunities of capitalists and speculators. It is from the consequences of further folly and cupidity in this matter that the Post-Dispatch is trying to save St. Louis.

JAY GOULD's will is characteristic of the man. It seems to have been drawn without a thought of anybody but his own immediate family and as selfish in its terms as anything he ever did in life. Except three or four trifling legacies to brothers and sisters the whole fortune is left to his children, but so carefully guarded that their ability to use it unselfishly is strictly limited. Although the great millionaire could take none of his wealth with him, his dead hand is laid upon it. It is his

will that as he was sordid his children shall be sordid too. Their individuality is so far denied that they may not even marry to please themselves, but must submit to the wishes of the family. Worldly wisdom is exhibited in its most repulsive aspect in this last of his earthly acts.

SENATOR PALMER did the colored race a good turn in his speech to the club of negro Democrats. As long as the negroes look to political parties for help, just so long will they not help themselves. The Senator addressed them "not as colored citizens but as American citizens," which no doubt surprised the majority of his hearers, who have somehow got it into their heads that to be a "colored citizen" is to possess a certain privilege not enjoyed by others—that is the privilege of being cared for and given office in the South. But the "professional nigger" is losing ground with the black race. With the two parties divided on economic rather than sectional issues, his occupation will be gone, and then the negroes can feel sure that their emancipation is complete.

POPULARITY WINS.

In a letter published in another column to-day, in which they express their hearty appreciation of the interest shown in them by the Post-Dispatch and the public through the Post-Dispatch Letter Carriers' Contest, the carriers refer to the regulations which prevent them from taking any active part in the contest or even soliciting an expression of good will towards them.

The rules are comprehensive and strict prohibiting the letter carriers to use addresses or solicitations in any form for money, presents or benefits.

The organization for the relief of widows and orphans of letter carriers must be maintained by them without appeal to outside benevolence. Neither by direct nor indirect means are the carriers permitted to induce people to aid or favor them and in closing their communication they say: "The letter carriers, who can make no other return, will be grateful to the paper showing such interest in them and grateful to the public for the evidence of its appreciation shown in every ballot deposited for any of their number in the contest."

Thus it will be seen, as the letter properly states, that the Post-Dispatch contest "will be a contest of popularity in every sense." Every vote will be the spontaneous act of regard for the carrier and appreciation of his services. The prizes will be proofs of real popularity and the winners will be genuine favorites. The carriers are entirely dependent upon the grace and generous efforts of their friends. This distinguishing and charming feature of the contest should be worth more to the carriers than the most diligent and persistent work and solicitation on their part. It should, and undoubtedly will, spur their friends to active endeavor. Every coupon in next Sunday's Post-Dispatch should count for a worthy carrier.

CHURCH AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The utterance of Mgr. Satolli, the special envoy of the Vatican in this country, on the public school question, is interesting and important as indicating the broadened view and changing attitude of church dignitaries with reference to the public schools. It may be taken as a modified endorsement of Archbishop Ireland's Fairplay plan and a recognition of the fact that the free school system of the United States is a mighty and growing influence which the church cannot ignore and which it must not only get in harmony with, but make use of.

The discussion of the propriety and probable effect of this progressive movement may be left to churchmen, but one aspect of it claims the attention of all thoughtful citizens. An element of danger appears to be involved in some of the suggestions of the papal representative. He discusses possible arrangements between church and State authorities by which the school organization may be utilized by the church and possible methods by which church influence may be exerted through the schools.

That is dangerous ground. The attitude of any church and its members with reference to the purely secular use of the schools is a matter of no concern to the body politic, but the slightest move or tendency towards using them for denominational purposes involves a menace to both church and State.

What is true of Catholicism in this connection is true of Methodism, Presbyterianism, or any religious denomination. The State authorities can enter into no arrangement with a denomination or distinguish it in any way from the others in the matter of the public schools. They cannot permit any church, as a church, to secure special privileges, exert any influence upon or take any part in the management of the schools without endangering the stability and usefulness of the school system, violating popular rights and opposing a fundamental principle of free government. The rule is general and absolute.

The public schools are established and maintained for the free use of all. Citizens of all denominations may send their children to them or may become teachers in them if qualified by education; but citizens of no denomination can be allowed to lay a finger upon them for sectarian purposes. The right of parents to teach their children any religious belief outside of the public schools and more after the election at which they may have been defeated is apparent. For that

all religious influences in the schools are co-ordinate. The schools are secular, and must be carefully guarded from the blight of doctrinal strife. This is the only safe course.

CONTENT TO BE THE BEST.

Declining the indirectly put proposition of the Republic to join a newspaper combine proposing to publish smaller Sunday papers in order to increase the profits, the Post-Dispatch promises to give the people on next Sunday the biggest and best Sunday paper printed west of the Mississippi River.

The people of St. Louis recognize the fact that the SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH worked a revolution in the Sunday paper field in the West. Its motto since its first issue has been: "The best Sunday newspaper in St. Louis." Its competitors were forced to make way. Its excellence were recognized by all, and in the course of a few years it gained a larger circulation in the city of St. Louis and vicinity than either the Globe-Democrat or the Republic can show.

This was accomplished by giving the people a first-class Sunday paper. In view of these facts we must positively decline the Republic's suggestion to go into the proposed trust to reduce expenses. We are satisfied with results and we propose, on next Sunday and on each succeeding Sunday, to issue the best Sunday newspaper in St. Louis. Put this boast to the test of a comparison with competitors, and satisfy yourself.

THE big boy who brings sorrow to his mother's heart is very hard if he is not moved by her perfect confidence in his innate goodness and her readiness at all times to find excuses for him and to throw the blame on the other bad boys, who lead him astray. The boys who recently went through Central Park, New York, with a pot of green paint, smearing the statues of Sir Walter Scott, Beethoven and Schiller, and painting "Clan-na-Gael" and "Erin go Bragh" in conspicuous places, were not poor people's sons. They all belonged to excellent and prosperous families, and their good qualities, as described by their mamma, were remarkable. One of them was a "regular home boy," and another was "quiet" and "studious." They told their parents that they were going to a lecture, and made some evasive answer when asked where they were. The exceptional goodness of the boys precludes the idea of parental carelessness. "I have not reprimanded him," said one mamma, "he has had punishment enough." Perhaps he will not tell his ma any more lies. But these young New Yorkers are probably not much ashamed of their exploit since it brought out all the facts about their exceptional goodness which could never have become generally known had they committed no misdemeanor.

WHAT if Mr. Gould really had thought of making some large bequests to charitable institutions or to other worthy objects? He might have had a great plan of beneficence in his head a year or two before he made his will. Before he could arrive at a conclusion as to what to do, he was killed by a train. "If you don't say yes and put yourself in an awkward position, suppose you were to leave a large amount to some institution, educational or charitable, and the bequest should be declined on the ground that your money had been acquired by some questionable method? Don't you see how ridiculous you would appear in such a case?" Of course there are people who will say that no institution would have declined Mr. Gould's money; but still it may be that the evil spirit did whisper in the wizard's ear.

The young man who longs to leave his father's service and work for himself should read about Mr. Gould's son George, who remained with his sire and became so capable a business man that the old gentleman left him \$200,000 when he died, and he was only twenty years old. Certainly no other employer would have paid a young man so handsomely.

AS THE ladies have sent Prof. Henry Preserved Smith a mass of delicate white and pink roses embowered in a bed of fern leaves and smilax, it looks as if the professor may be right.

THE Bostonian who kept a St. Louis coupon for nine years after it fell due had great confidence in our financial stability. If we have Boston's good opinion, what more do we want?

MRS. LEASE should be careful in her remarks about "being in the hands of her friends." Mr. Lease might hear her, and a crushed man will kick at such things.

THE Texas fall of hallstones as large as a man's head must have been brought down by Gen. Dyerforth's recent bombardment.

If the barbers cannot agree on Sunday opening, why not compromise on close shaves that day.

The new City Hall bell will weigh 4,000 pounds. Does this mean additional rings?

We are to have charity for Gould, although Gould had nothing for charity?

They Will Learn by Experience.

From the Boston Globe.
It is quite natural that more or less confusion should prevail upon the first application of the Australian system in a State.

Thousands upon thousands of men think they voted for President, but are mistaken. When too late it is found that ballots marked with a stylographic pen are thrown out. Numerous voters used a blue pencil, and a good many crossed the names of the elector instead of making one mark for the group.

So numerous are the legal technicalities surrounding the new system that it is not at all surprising that in all the States which have just made their first trial of the system many ballots should be numerous.

The country as a whole, has been taking its first lessons in a new system. Very soon the old schoolmaster experience will come to its aid and the system will be shorn of the possibility of accidents which are at first as inevitable as they are provoking.

Sensible.

From the Chicago News.
In proposing to change the date of convening Congress from December to March the Democrats have probably hit upon an expedient that is much more promising than the extra session plan. The absurdity of requiring Congressmen elected for two years to take their office thirteen months after they are elected and to hold it for six months or more after the election at which they may have been defeated is apparent. For that

matter if Congress were convened but one month after the election members would go to their duties with a fresher sense of their responsibility to their constituents, the decision of the people at the polls would be given effect more speedily, and the country would not have a slaughtered, left-over Congress on its hands as at present.

MAN OF MARK.

Gov. Russell, the youthful chief magistrate of Massachusetts, is left handed.

TWO FARMERS of Putnam County, Ind., have spent \$400 in litigation over a hog.

EMILIE ZOLA is now paid for the right to publish his novels serially, at the rate of 5 cents a line. That beats Alexander Dumas' 7 cents a line.

MICHAEL's potato king lives at Mancolona. He raised 7,000 bushels on his farm, and has purchased \$8,000 bushels more. His name is Jesse Wisler.

THE United States collectors of internal revenue at Ogden, Utah, and Lincoln, Neb., are both from Farmington, Me., and each is named Norton.

AMERICANS have often marveled that members of the House of Parliament wear their hats during sessions. Blackwood's Magazine solves the mystery. They have nowhere else to put them.

ANDREW LANG says that there are fully 100,000 novelists in Great Britain, but only one author in a hundred finds a publisher willing to launch his book.

JULY has proved a fatal month to Presidents. John Adams, Thomas Jefferson, James Monroe, Zachary Taylor, M. Van Buren, Andrew Johnson, U. S. Grant all died in July. James A. Garfield received his death wound in July.

THE two well-known brokers in Wall street—their name is Wormser—who provide against the contingency of both being killed at the same time and the firm being broken up by not traveling in the same train on the elevated railroads in New York.

WOMEN OF THE WORLD.

THE Prince of Wales is quite a virtuoso on the harp; the Princess is a distinguished pianist.

It is thought in New York that Mrs. Oscar Wilde will accompany her husband on his approaching visit to this country.

MRS. SACHS, the wife of a well-known Viennese restaurateur, collects autographs by asking her guests to write their names in pencil on the tablecloth, which she afterward embroiders.

THE only practicing woman lawyers in Boston for some time have been Miss Alice Parker and her partner, Miss Anna C. Fall. Miss Lizzie Smith, recently admitted to the bar, will begin practice in Boston.

MISS FAWCETT, who beat the senior wrangler at Cambridge University, is still in residence at Newham, and is continuing her studies. It is not unlikely that she will remain as mathematical lecturer of the college.

ERIGNONA CERALE, a dancer now performing in London, is described by the Pall Mall Budget as "tall, as handsome of countenance as a dancer's smile will allow and finely shaped in the upper stories, though her chief apparatus would not be serviceable to a sculptor."

MRS. LEASE is over 50 and probably not far from 60 years of age. She formerly lived in Denton, Tex., and was known there as an agitator. She was strong-minded and a Roman Catholic. In school matters she stirred up many a hornet's nest. Mr. Lease was then what he is now, an amiable person only known as the husband of Mrs. Lease.

THE PEOPLE'S FORUM.

(No matter written on both sides of the sheet can appear under this head.—Ed.)

Unexplained Epidemics.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:
In the Post-Dispatch of Dec. 1, inst., there is a Forum article headed "A Question for the Doctors," and signed "A Country Reader," which asks "If it be true . . . that the present fever epidemic is owing to the food condition of the drinking water used in the city . . . why is it that we hear nothing of a similar epidemic prevailing in East St. Louis?" etc., and by inference assuming that the water used by the citizens of St. Louis is identical with that used by those dwelling on the Eastern side of the Mississippi River. I am not competent to discuss the origin of the sickness now prevailing in St. Louis, therefore I shall not attempt to do so. I merely wish to call attention to the fact that the people of St. Louis use the water from the Missouri River with the water of the Upper Mississippi.

It may be well to add, however, that a few weeks ago there was an unusually large number of cases of typhoid fever in Farmington, and as the people of this section do not use water of the same kind, and as none of the lands in this vicinity were overflooded last spring, the cause must be caused by other water and miasmatic exhalations for the epidemic.

ANOTHER COUNTRY READER.
Farmington, Mo., Dec. 8, 1892.

The Garbage Nuisance.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:
Will you permit a long suffering and patient sufferer from the heinousness of the garbage contractors to tell a little tale of woe?

Three weeks I have endeavored to have the slops and garbage removed from 3100 Franklin avenue. I telephoned the City Hall people, I sent a note, I wrote a letter, I waited in vain for a garbage cart, and still I am waiting for relief. The officer on the beat advised me to get the garbage and throw it away on the sidewalk that they might attract attention, and when I declined to ornament my pavement with garbage and throw it away suggested that he would report the house for maintaining a nuisance in the shape of accumulated garbage, which will take me into court and probably entail costs. Meanwhile I am waiting for relief. Can't you help a lady in her battle against the careless official whose duty is left undone, but whose salaries are drawn with painful regularity?

MRS. S., 3100 Franklin avenue.

Who Gets the Money?

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:
Murphy's street cleaners have for the last two years dumped the dirt cleaned from the streets and they haul it from ten to twelve blocks to dump it in Rich Wheeler's lot on Penrose, just east of Twentieth street. Now that all right if there were no streets and alleys that needed filling up, but to go right past them and dump the dirt on the streets is stealing. George Gonsalus is offering it, Wal. Murphy sanctioned it and the City Council has passed it. Who gets the money? I know the city don't.

THE TYPEWRITER'S Best Friend.

From the Million.
Teacher: "What is a synonym?"
Boy: "It's a word you can use in place of another when you don't know how to spell the other one."

No, He Doesn't Even Look Good.

From the New Orleans Picayune.
The man who does not comb his hair looks best with a chrysanthemum in his button-hole.

Mr. W. C. Steigens

Will call on merchants wishing to contract for advertising in Post-Dispatch. Telephone 408.

MARIA'S HAND.

Three Italian Laborers Assassinated in Louisiana.

Begruled to a Lonely Spot and Done to Death.

ONE LIVES LONG ENOUGH TO TELL THE HORRIBLE STORY.

His Dying Statement Gives No Clue to the Murderers—Liability of a Collision Between Rival Mob in Mississippi—Policeman Menaced to the Penitentiary—Murder at Crystal City—Dauling Cashier—General Crime News.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 9.—The details of a horrible crime, supposed to be the work of the Mafia, reached this city late last night. The tragedy, which was nothing less than a triple assassination, took place at Convent, St. James Parish. The place where the crime was committed was the levee bank on the site of what had been the celebrated Nita Crevasse. It is one of the most lovely spots in the parish. Deputy Constable Joe. Mouton, while riding along the levee, came upon the traces of a terrible struggle. A little further on he found two dead bodies. Investigating the matter further Mouton came upon a man badly wounded and nearly dead. The man was quickly attended by physicians, and after a time recovered sufficiently to tell the following story:

"My name is Stephen Arta. Tuesday night I and two friends, one named Antonio Paoli and another whose name I do not know, met four men at the French Market. The men, at

CHRISTMAS RESISTS FOR GENTLEMEN!

A grand Assortment that are USEFUL, INEXPENSIVE and APPROPRIATE, can be found at

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House Robes and Jackets \$5.00 to \$25.00
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Silk Initial Handkerchiefs 35c to \$1.50
An endless variety of Neckwear 25c to \$3.50
Bath Robes of every description \$2.75 to \$20.00
250 sets of Japanese Collar and Cuff Boxes, made from the natural wood of Japan \$1.50
Street and Driving Gloves \$1.00 to \$2.50
Mufflers, Full Dress Protectors, Travelling Cases and an endless variety of novelties.
Obliging salesmen will be pleased to show goods, whether you purchase or not.

EAST ST. LOUIS.

Miraculous Escape of a Drunken Man From Death.

A PATENT WITH PRESIDENT POLK'S SIGNATURE FILED AT BELLEVILLE.

Criminals Get a Neat Batch of Sentences Which They Will Serve Out in the Penitentiary—Labor Unions Elect Officers—Bits of News From Across the River.

An intoxicated individual who was walking about the Relay Depot last night had an experience that would probably have been fatal to any sober person, but with the proverbial good fortune of a drunken man he escaped unscathed and with no damage except to his clothing. The man was a Madison County farmer, who lives in the vicinity of Edwardsville. He was a German, and as he could not or would not speak English the persons who witnessed the accident failed to learn his name. The accident was due primarily to the man's condition. He was walking about in drunken listlessness and stepped right in front of a locomotive that was moving slowly toward the bridge approach. He was knocked down on the track and dragged a short distance before the engine could be stopped. Several railroad men who saw the accident rushed to his assistance and found him fast under the footboard of the engine. His head was on the rail so close to the front wheel that his hat was crushed and his clothes were so severely caught, the tails of his overcoat being wound about the forward axle, that the engine had to be reversed to back him up to enable his rescuers to extricate him. When he was put on his feet it was found that he was absolutely unharmed.

William Terrell, foreman of a switching crew of the Belt Railroad, was struck by a locomotive last night and severely injured. He was knocked down, but fell at the side of the track, and thus escaped being run over. He was severely bruised about the body. He was removed to his home on Tremont avenue.

Fr. Coffey of St. Louis will deliver a lecture at St. Mary's Catholic Church, on Wednesday night, at 8 o'clock. The subject will be "The Aims and Objects of the Knights of St. Matthew." The lecture will be given at 8 o'clock.

McDowell Post No. 567, G. A. R., has elected new officers as follows: Fred Krueger, commander; D. H. Austin, senior vice-commander; Henry R. Boone, junior vice-commander; Henry R. Boone, sergeant; M. R. Reed, chaplain; J. V. Roseberry, quartermaster; F. G. Strong, officer of the day; U. H. Ward, officer of the guard; N. H. Robbins, delegate. These officers will be publicly installed Jan. 1.

Patrick Blanchard, arrested yesterday for carrying concealed weapons, was fined \$25 by Justice Wilson today.

William Blum, employed at the Murphy Car Roof Works, had his hand crushed in a machine today.

Belleville.

A land patent many years old was filed in the office of Recorder Becker yesterday and was examined with curiosity by many of the frequenters of the Court-house. It was a conveyance of the title to a quarter section of land in the Kaskaskia district to Peter Ritter, now a resident of this country. The instrument was written on parchment, bore the signature of Jas. K. Folk.

Henry Kunz, a member of the Fire Department, who was recently severely injured by being thrown from a fire engine, is regaining his strength, and it is probable that he will be able to resume his place in the department next week.

James Ripley, an East St. Louis colored boy, who obtained \$10 from Mrs. M. Stephens by means of a forged note, was tried in the Circuit Court yesterday and sentenced to the Penitentiary for two years. "Kenny" Sim, "Pete" and "Stone," who were indicted under these aliases and whose real names the officers have never learned, were sentenced to the penitentiary for carrying burglars' tools. Each got a year. Andrew Keller was sentenced to one year's imprisonment for horse-stealing.

Local Clear-Makers' Union No. 250 elected these officers last night: William Womson, President; Gustav Goeritz, Vice-President; John Ackerman, Secretary; Otto Scheske, Financial Secretary; Henry Bruchter, Treasurer; John Reutman, Delegate; Henry Kemper, Guard; Henry Leuth, Frank Dietz and John Ackerman, Trustees.

Bricklayers' Union No. 2 has elected Henry Brenner, President; Michael Bauer, Vice-President; Theodore Hofman, Financial Secretary; John Matthews, Treasurer; Charles Baumgart, Deputy; Fritz Stark, Substitute; Martin Heilmann; Karl Falk and Fred Stark, Trustees.

In the County Court yesterday an East St. Louis boy named George Russell was sentenced to jail for forty days for stealing a small sum of money entrusted to him to bet on the races. Andrew McMahon got a fourteen days' sentence for stealing a bucket of oysters from a store of A. M. Meints in East St. Louis.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday to P. J. Nelson and Mary E. McNutt of East St. Louis, C. J. Saver and Mary Duxon of East St. Louis, Hieronymus Manter and Annie Dietz of Belleville.

The Belleville Athletic Club proposes to improve its quarters in the Buchanan building by erecting a bath with four compartments. The improvement is expected to cost about \$600.

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Springfield, Ill., Dec. 9.—Resolutions were filed with the Secretary of State authorizing the Metropolitan West Side Elevated Railroad Co. of Chicago to execute a mortgage to Adrian Iselin and Geo. G. Haven of New York for \$18,000,000, bonds to be issued bearing 5 per cent interest, and maturing in 1943.

The Secretary of State licensed new corporations as follows:

The Leon Hotel Prop. Co., of Chicago; capital stock, \$1,000,000. Incorporators—Andrew Gillispie, J. G. Adams and John H. Miller.
The Traffic Appliance Co., Chicago; capital stock, \$240,000. Incorporators—E. T. Wray, Charles S. Nash-Wright Co., Chicago; capital stock, \$100,000. Incorporators—W. E. Evans, Frank E. Peist and Gardner G. Willard.
The Chicago Amusement Co., Chicago; capital stock, \$150,000. Incorporators—C. J. Beacham, Dwight Tripp and Warren S. Morgan.
The Chicago Amusement Co., Chicago; capital stock, \$100,000. Incorporators—Wm. Fitzpatrick, Victor S. Koenner and Henry B. Linsay.
The Zero Marx Sign Works, Chicago; capital stock, \$50,000. Incorporators—Zero Marx, Amelia Marx and C. Nig.
The Western Fire Insurance Co., Chicago; capital stock, \$100,000. Incorporators—Caroline Vercotti, Sonney, Sarah F. K. Burgess and Mary Linda Allen.
The Jackson Park European Hotel Co., Chicago; capital stock, \$100,000. Incorporators—John H. Earl, Frank H. Weykoff and Henry B. Linsay.
The Western Fire Insurance Co., Chicago; capital stock, \$100,000. Incorporators—A. G. Taylor, Wm. F. Hill and Beatty Barnes Co., Decatur; capital stock, \$50,000. Incorporators—J. L. Hill, Jas. C. Beatty and others.
The Boston Ventilating and Engineering Co., Springfield, Mass.; capital stock, \$100,000. Incorporators—H. G. Thayer, Wm. Goebel and others.

Alton, Ill., Dec. 9.—This city is infested by a gang of burglars who are giving the police considerable trouble by committing small burglaries. In the lower part of the city they break into freight cars and steal the contents. The bluff line people report a number of such burglaries. On Wednesday night they succeeded in burglarizing the store of H. P. M. Henry, living four miles west of Pittsburg. The store was a small one, and carried a lot of dry goods and groceries. The police are making a search for the burglars.

The funeral of Henry C. Murphy, who died at 823 Parker street, St. Louis yesterday, took place from the residence of his mother, Mrs. Murphy, at 10 o'clock. The funeral was a large one, and was largely attended by the Episcopal church at Crown's Hill last night. The service was held at the residence of Mrs. Murphy, who was assisted by a number of ladies of the church.

Rev. H. M. Crittenden of Carlinville, Ill., has accepted the call to the rectorship of the St. Paul church in Alton, Ill. He will leave for Alton on Monday next.

Rev. Geo. W. Griffin, the present rector, goes to Iowa. He expects to return next spring.

The Washington club, a branch of the Lyceum League of America, has been organized in the Bond. The club is of a literary character and will hold bi-weekly meetings.

MR. S. M. KENNARD SAYS: "The Pasture filter with the Strouse cleaner is the most complete filtering device in existence. Our experience with it has been most satisfactory." Strouse & Wood, sole agents, 615 Locust street.

Church Dedication. QUINCY, Dec. 9.—St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church was consecrated yesterday. Bishop Ryan of Alton conducted the ceremonies and the sermon was preached by Fr. Monahan of St. Louis.

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Mr. Taylor M. Garver of this city has an orange tree which is in bloom, and also has oranges on at the same time which is quite a curiosity in this latitude. It is visited by many people.

The thirty-ninth annual meeting of the Illinois State Teachers' Association will meet at the Capitol building in Springfield Dec. 27 to 29.

Mr. W. M. Fippe, the handsome young Wabash operator of St. Louis, came to our city and secured a license, and he and the lovely Miss Maggie S. Redmond of this county were united in marriage by the Rev. Mr. Long. They were given a grand serenade at the Tremont Hotel, and Mr. Fippe set up the cigars to the boys. They will reside in St. Louis.

Hillsboro. HILLSBORO, Dec. 9.—Three boys not yet out of their teens have been arrested and pleaded guilty to the burglary of S. Lessen's clothing store at Gillespie. Part of the stolen goods were found on their persons and they have been sent to jail to await sentence by the court.

Owing to the collection and variety of criminals in the Christian County Jail the County Board has found it necessary to add a number of new cells to the building.

William Lovemore, aged 72 years, and William Winter, aged 78 years, both prominent men in the vicinity of Auburn, died Wednesday and Thursday suddenly of heart failure.

Luther Waldren of Shipman held a lighted cigar in his mouth while he prepared an anvil for firing. The powder in his hand caught fire and he was badly burned about the face and hands.

James Allen of Girard, who recently shot and severely wounded Henry Brandt for refusing to allow him to hunt upon his farm near Newbold, was discharged on preliminary examination upon the plea of self-defense.

Taking the fruit growers' statements as a basis for conclusions, apple orchards in good shape for the production of a crop in 1893, and it is predicted that there will be an abundance. Peach orchards went into winter better than for years. The outlook for the fruit crop is very bright, and with the exception of strawberries, and even these are in fairly good condition in most fields.

Greenfield. GREENFIELD, Dec. 9.—A petition is being circulated in this city for the purpose of organizing a coal company to prospect for coal at this point.

The American Federation of Labor will organize here at an early date, as the charter has been ordered.

Dr. A. C. Baker of Quincy received a very severe fall on the sidewalk in that city last Saturday. It was thought that he had broken his shoulder, but examination proved no bones to be broken. He is, however, very seriously injured.

A special meeting of the Greenfield board, No. 49, W. M. A., next Monday evening, Dec. 12.

Michael Hayne, Jr., has returned from Iowa. He expects to return next spring.

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being urged by his friends for the appointment to an important position under the incoming Administration.

Hon. Philip H. Postel left yesterday for Quincy. The Dramatic Club will shortly present the laughable farce "The Heroic Dutchman."

Venice. VENICE, Dec. 9.—At a meeting of the Village Board last evening the clerk was instructed to advertise for bids for placing a foot of sand on Third street.

The ordinance relating to water license will be enforced on and after Dec. 20, and all failing to pay their license will have their water connections shut off after that date. Water has been furnished free of charge to the poor.

Electric lights at Madison will be in operation within a week from this date.

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most interesting feature of the proceedings of the day was the address of Prof. Bailey of the New York Experiment station.

Stevenson at Decatur. DECATUR, Dec. 9.—Yesterday evening a reception was given Vice-President elect Stevenson at the residence of Charles A. Ewing.

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OBITUARY. Death of Julia Stuart at Little Rock—Other Deaths.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 9.—Mrs. Julia Stuart, wife of the late Hon. Henry B. Stuart, who was judge of the Eighth judicial circuit for eight years, died yesterday at Little Rock. Deceased was 57 years of age and leaves two daughters and two sons.

COL. JOHN RYAN. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 9.—Col. John Ryan, who fought with Sam Houston for Texas' independence, died a pauper in the city hospital yesterday.

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She Enjoyed the Debate. From Judge.

Her father (interestedly): "And you really enjoy your society for the higher culture of women?"

Minnie (enthusiastically): "Indeed I do, immensely."

Her father: "What was the subject yesterday, for instance?"

Minnie (reflectively): "Oh, yesterday? Let me see. I think the question for debate was something about some subject that some professor has been lecturing on somewhere, but up in one corner we talked about those new fall hats with the funny crowns."

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JAMES PYLE, New York.

Criminal Court. Mary Orter went to trial before a jury in the Criminal Court this morning on a charge of stealing \$60 from M. L. Morris of 607 South Broadway on July 31.

The bond of Ida Henry was forfeited in the Criminal Court this morning for failing to appear when her case was called for trial. F. W. Mott, the real estate agent, is on her bond for \$500. Ida is charged with stealing \$162 from H. Glusenkamp of 1316 Palm street.

William Carter, a colored youth who was tried by a jury on a charge of burglarizing 1213 Walton street, on May 13, and stealing a coat and vest, valued at \$10, was acquitted.

S. W. STINGER of Eminence, Mo., and Mrs. M. Crawford of Shannon County were united in marriage at Hurst's Hotel this morning by Justice McCaffrey.

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AUTOPSY ON PARKS.
Doctors Unable to Determine Which Injury Caused His Death.

An autopsy was held by Coroner Frank at the City Hospital this morning on the remains of P. M. Parks, the farmer from Great Springs, Ill., who was fatally injured at the Union Depot last Wednesday evening in a fight with John and Leo Lender over the payment of a cab fare. The investigation of the Coroner revealed the fact that Parks died from hemorrhage of the brain, induced by a severe fracture of the skull near the right ear. Whether the fracture was the result of a kick or of a fall could not be determined. The man, it will be remembered, fell backwards when struck by Leo Lender, and it is not probable that the fatal injuries were received in that manner. The question to be determined at the trial will be whether Parks was kicked after he fell, or whether he was kicked after he fell. The latter is the opinion of the Coroner. The Coroner's jury will be held directly responsible for his death.
Thos. Zurlinski, the young man who had his left arm amputated by a train at the Union Depot, is mending rapidly. Zurlinski is a handsome young man, of classic mold, and intellectually the superior of probably all the patients at the City Hospital. A year ago he ran away from his home in New York to seek for fortune and adventure in Texas. He found neither romance nor wealth, but accepted a position as a clerk in Dallas. Some weeks ago he lost his position, and, without a cent, he started on his way north. Dr. Marks says that he has written to the boy's father, who is a rich importer. He expects a reply from him in a few days.

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Federal Court Notes.

The amount of business to be transacted by the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the circuit of which St. Louis is the headquarters continues to exceed that of any other circuit in the country. So great is the number of cases filed that it has been found necessary to add to the clerical force of the court. Mr. George F. Hild, who has for many years been connected with the office of the circuit clerk, has been promoted to the position of deputy clerk of the Circuit Court of Appeals. He is accompanied by his now post by the best wishes of his former associates.

The Original Package
In which Highland Evaporated Cream is put up preserves all the purity and delicious properties of milk until it reaches the consumer. It serves as an absolute protection against taints and adulterations.

Among the Brokers.

There were very few winning brokers on the floor of the Merchants' Exchange to-day, and such as were present had little or nothing to do. It was the general opinion of those who are acquainted with the condition of the mining market that unless something should be done to give it strength it would practically cease to exist.
Granite Mountain was weak, being \$2.25 bid, with offerings at \$2.25.
Elizabeth was slightly stronger, \$5.00 being the lowest offers with bids at \$5.00.
Hope was in good demand at \$4.40, holders asking \$1.75.

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REAL ESTATE INTERESTS.

G. F. BURNS' FREQUENT INVESTMENTS
IN FRANKLIN AVENUE PROPERTY.

The Bluff Line Machine Shops Site Located-Sales on Easton Avenue, Pine Street and Oak Locality in the City and Suburbs-Building Loans.

Calvin F. Burns, the St. Joe capitalist who has recently invested a good deal of money in Franklin and Easton avenue properties, has purchased from George Enternann the premises at the southeast corner of Franklin avenue and Twelfth street for \$19,000. This property embraces 28x107 feet of ground, occupied by an old store and tenement building. Mr. Burns has been most successful in his St. Louis real estate operations, and his several late investments in Franklin avenue business places are looked upon as indicative of his good opinion of the future of that retail business street where values have advanced sharply within the past year.

The Legg-Blackwelder-Holbrook Realty Co., in conjunction with Charles H. Bailey's agency, effected the sale of 2x12 feet of ground, with a two-story store and dwelling, on the south side of Easton avenue, situated 148 feet west of the intersection of that business thoroughfare with Franklin avenue, beyond the Wedge House, for \$7,200, from John P. Gronemeyer to Nathan Foreshaw, who will use the property for business purposes.

The St. Louis, Alton & Springfield Railway Co., ordinarily referred to as "The Bluff Line," has secured a site on the other side of the river, where its round-house and machine shops are to be established. A place for these industries, where quite a village will spring up in a short time, has been selected just north of and adjoining Kinderhook station on the Chicago & Alton road, in Madison County, a short distance beyond the town of Madison at the east end of the "Bluff Line" Bridge. The site is a tract of land which has been purchased from the St. Louis Land & Building Co., a corporation which owns about 1,500 acres of land in that vicinity two years ago from farmers who tiled the soil, paying them \$100 per acre. The price paid for the ground being about \$600 an acre.

A \$30,000 home. Mr. Charles W. Nugent of the retail dry goods firm of D. Nugent & Bro., has purchased the handsome residence and grounds of Charles A. Wickham, including the furniture in the house, for \$30,000. The property embraces 150x140 feet of ground situated at the northwest corner of McPherson and Taylor avenues. The house is one of the finest West End structures. It is of the Queen Anne style of architecture, electrically wired and finished throughout with hard wood. The price paid for the premises, \$30,000, is considered cheap. Chas. H. Bailey negotiated the sale.

Franklin reports the sale of 7x12 feet of ground on the north line of Barton avenue, 600 feet west of Florence, in Chamberlain Park, at \$2 a foot from Judson M. Thompson to James P. Maginn.

Dr. Sohn-Rodgen is about effecting a sale of his residence property at No. 100 Thornby place preparatory to a journey to California with his mother.

D. J. Hayden & Co. report the sale of the double fifteen-room dwelling and 60x200 feet of ground at No. 422 Pine street for \$18,000 from the Belmont Land and Improvement Co. to Wm. J. Kinsella.

Building permits for the construction of nine houses, estimated to cost \$17,400, were issued yesterday.

THE NICHOLS-BITTER BUILDING LOANS.
The Nichols-Bitter Realty & Financial Co. report the sale of 6x12 feet of ground on northwest corner of Boyle avenue and Pine street at \$100 a foot, from Geo. T. Burdau to J. J. Guyre. Seven dwelling houses are to be built upon this property.

Several days ago the same firm sold an opposite lot of the same size at \$100 a foot, from E. S. Howe to Mr. Burdau.

Messrs. Nichols & Bitter say they have been making a good many building loans within the past few days. They have placed over \$200,000 in seven different loans, one to build ten houses on the corner of McPherson and Boyle avenues, another for nine houses on Pine street and Boyle avenue; one for two 15x100 houses on Lindell avenue; one for the eight-room brick dwellings occupying 7x12 feet of ground, for \$65,000, from Edward F. Hild to James E. Marsh, one to build on Westminister place, west of Vandeventer avenue, and another to build a row of flats on Dodder street, west of Grand avenue. Cellars for all of these improvements have already been dug and foundations for some of them laid.

CITY AND SUBURBAN.
The Schollmeyer Realty Co. reports the sale of the seven eight-room brick dwellings occupying 7x12 feet of ground, for \$65,000, from Edward F. Hild to James E. Marsh, one to build on Westminister place, between Vandeventer avenue and Sarah street, for \$4,000, from the Equitable Realty Co. to James H. Mable, who is going to improve the lot with a residence.

BARBERS' CONVENTION.

Wrestling With Amendments to the Constitution-Entertainment Last Night.

Delegates to the Journeymen Barbers' Convention attended a musical and literary entertainment at the Exposition Building last night and enjoyed a varied and interesting programme. The affair was given the local barbers in honor of the visiting members of the craft and was entirely successful. The bill was elaborate and the numbers all admirably given. A very large audience was present and received the various features of the programme with flattering applause. It was late when the entertainment closed, and latter still when the jolly barbers got back to their hotel.

The convention is now wrestling with a long list of proposed amendments to the constitution and by-laws of the order. The tedious work was begun yesterday afternoon and resolved the various features of the programme with flattering applause. It was late when the entertainment closed, and latter still when the jolly barbers got back to their hotel.

To-day this business consumed the entire forenoon, and the end is not yet in sight. The most important change made in the constitution was the insertion of a plank providing for a "sinking fund" and organizing fund. The convention decided that the money, which is to be used in assisting the organization of subordinate unions and carrying on fights which the body may raise or oppose, shall be collected by periodical assessments. The order has a membership of 4,000, and as it is rapidly growing it is thought that a small individual assessment per month will suffice to raise a very considerable sum in the course of a year. The proposed changes in the programme relating to Sunday closing, early closing and insurance have yet been reached. They are among the most important measures contemplated by the union. A big fight for Sunday-closing will be made and the first gun will be fired to-night at an open meeting of the St. Louis Barbers' Union, composed of shop proprietors who are using their influence to prevent legislation closing the saloons on Sunday, and the principal object of the meeting will be to elect delegates to the convention of conferring and arguing with the proprietors of shops upon the advisability of waiving only six days of the year for the closing of saloons. The many delegates of the St. Louis Barbers' Union have been invited to attend the meeting, and in the general discussion will endeavor to convince the proprietors that their business will not be injured by the change. They will cite the experience of shop owners in other places where the doors have been closed on Sundays without incurring a diminution in the volume of business. The meeting will be held at the Lincoln counter, and thus endeavor to induce the proprietors to withdraw their opposition. This the unionists are endeavoring to do by try to secure legislation against the wishes of the men who own barber shops. The conference of the public and the proprietors will have their faces scraped on Saturday. The delegates will be reported to the President Meyers and a number of delegates on this and other matters affecting the interests of the trade, and shop proprietors will also be heard.

The delegates decided to-day to have their photographs taken in a body as souvenirs of the fifth annual convention.

LABOR NEWS.

Rock Island Operators' Strike On in Full Force.
CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 9.-Chief Ramsey of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, declared to-day that the Rock Island strike was on in full force despite General Manager St. John's denials and counter-statements. "The Rock Island side tracks," said Mr. Ramsey, "are already blocked with freight trains and the freight business of the road is at a standstill."

Grand Chief Ramsey and his constituents who are in secret session to-day, have left their headquarters at the Palmer House in charge of one of their operators to furnish information to the press.

He assured callers that the strike was still on and that 80 per cent of the men on the road were out to-day. General Manager St. John assures callers that there is no strike. "We are doing business as usual," said he, "and know nothing of a strike. A few of our operators may have left their stations, but we don't feel their absence, and our trains, both passenger and freight, are moving on schedule time. Except where some cases have caused delay. We want no operators, and have authorized no man or agency to engage operators for us. The man at the Grand Union Hotel who is engaging men is doing so on his own responsibility, and we have no right to be able to turn them over to us."

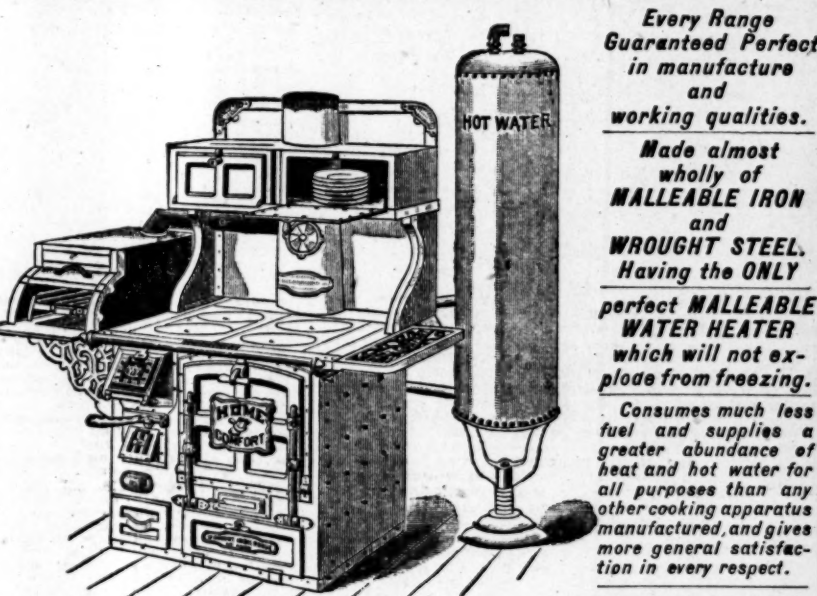
AN OMINOUS OUTLOOK.
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 9.-Up to noon to-day nothing definite would be given out by the Big Four telegraphers now in conference here. Railroad men consider the long session of the delegates as ominous and indicating possibilities of a strike. Supt. Fack has not been in conference with the men to-day, but can be reached by them at any time. Chairman Brown said at noon when asked in regard to the outlook: "There has been no strike ordered yet, with emphasis on the last word."

THEIR PAY INCREASED.

New York, Dec. 8.-It was said yesterday that the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern management had raised the pay of its engineers, and made a contract with them until

Home Comfort Steel Family Ranges

A SPLENDID CHRISTMAS GIFT.
REMEMBER THE HOME!



Wrought Iron Range Co., St. Louis, Mo.
SALESROOM, N. W. COR. OLIVE AND TENTH STREETS.
FOUNDED 1864. Call or send for Cook Book, issued free.

BRANCH FACTORY: TORONTO, ONTARIO.

THE PROOF OF THE PUDDING
is not in hearing about, but in tasting it. So the value of an advertisement in the SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH can only be determined by trying it.

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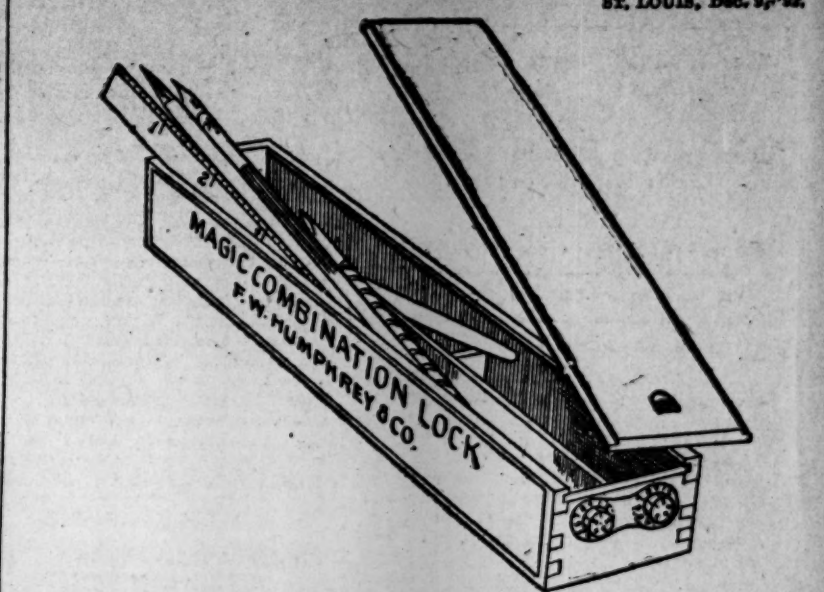
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The Indications for St. Louis for to-day and to-morrow are: Fair; stationary temperature.



XMAS FOR THE BOYS

A Combination Lock School Companion, OUR FREE GIFT, to all purchasers of Boys' Clothing—NOT EXPENSIVE—but it conveys to the boys the fact that we feel, indeed, kindly towards 'em.

Our Boys' Knee-Pant Suits, selling for \$5, are by long odds the best obtainable at the price. You've many styles to choose from, and, MARK YOU, these suits are all-wool and fit as well as the better ones at higher prices.
-Store open till 10 p. m. Saturdays.

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GROWING ANXIOUS.

The Christmas Coupon Clippers Looking for Information.

SOME OF THE DIFFICULTIES BOTHERING THE LITTLE ONES.

When the Prizes Will Be Distributed—Number of Prizes and How They Will Be Awarded—The Question of Ties—The Letter-Writer's—Prizes and Conditions of the Contest.

As the end of the Christmas coupon contest draws near the young contestants are beginning to show the usual amount of anxiety and uncertainty about all sorts of things. From the tone of a great many of the letters sent in it is evident that the young folks are more given to reading the communications of their brother contestants than the prizes and conditions of the contest.

Among the questions oftenest asked are: "When will the prizes be distributed?" "What will be done in cases where contestants are tied?"

"Can coupons be bought and sold?" Now with regard to the first. The last coupon will appear on Dec. 21, and the receiving of coupons will absolutely close at 9 o'clock p. m. on Dec. 22. Immediately thereafter the work of counting the coupons will begin, and will continue until all are counted. It is expected that the count will be finished in order to be able to have the prizes distributed on Christmas eve.

With regard to a tie, this can hardly occur except for the first individual prize. In this event the money would be divided among the two equal contestants. The conditions of the contest say that the two next largest will get \$5 each. The two next might have the same number, but if three should have equally the same the two prizes would be divided equally among them, and so on.

With regard to buying coupons, contestants can not be prevented from buying them from one another any more than they can be prevented from exchanging or forming clubs, but no coupons or papers containing coupons can be bought at wholesale from this office.

Some contestants are anxious to know how many coupons they must have before they are entitled to a prize. Well, if you are among the first 100 you are sure of a prize, as the following conditions will show:

PRIZES AND CONDITIONS.

There are 102 prizes, amounting to exactly \$1,000, to be distributed. They are as follows:

One Present of \$100.
Two Presents of \$50 Each.
Four Presents of \$25 Each.
Ten Presents of \$15 Each.
Twenty-five Presents of \$10 Each.
Sixty Presents of \$5 Each.

The coupons must reach the Post-Dispatch by, or before, 9 o'clock on the evening of Dec. 22.

The boy or girl who sends in the largest number of these coupons cut from the Post-Dispatch by that time will receive the first present, \$100 in gold.

The two next largest will get \$50 each in gold.

The four next largest will get \$25 each in gold.

The ten next largest will get \$15 each in gold.

The twenty-five next largest will get \$10 each in gold.

And the sixty next largest will get \$5 each in gold.

Include each package of coupons in an envelope, and in the envelope write the number of coupons enclosed and the name and address of the sender.

Send in your coupons in one batch on the last day of the contest, or write the name and address of the place appointed for the receipt of coupons.

No one is barred from the competition. It especially appeals to boys and girls.

Collection of coupons may be made by clubs or individuals. No conditions are made governing this point.

Out-of-town contestants will have equal chances with St. Louis.

No person connected with the Post-Dispatch will be permitted to contest or take any part in the collection of coupons for contestants.

No person will be permitted to buy papers by the wholesale from which to clip coupons towards the close of the contest.

The contest closes at 9 o'clock p. m. Dec. 22. No coupons received after that hour will be counted.

Coupons collected by clubs must be sent in under one name.

The "Christmas Coupon" will appear in every issue of the Post-Dispatch until the contest closes.

The following are some of the letters received at the office of the contest to the contest. No letters written on both sides of the paper will be published.

WILL JOIN A CLUB.

To the Post-Dispatch:

I read in your paper last night that there was a little girl who wanted to give her daily coupons and wanted some to join a club with her for Sunday coupons. I would do her every wish and I will give her all the Sunday coupons I get for her. I will give her all the Sunday coupons I get for her. I will give her all the Sunday coupons I get for her.

WILL TAKE EITHER END.

To the Post-Dispatch:

I am a boy of 14 years old. I am working hard to receive a Christmas present from you. I am working hard to receive a Christmas present from you. I am working hard to receive a Christmas present from you.

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To the Post-Dispatch:

I am a little girl 13 years old. My brother and I are saving the coupons. I have a little sister 4 months old, and I am very hard to win a prize to buy a Christmas present for her. My little brother is very anxious for me to win a prize. I don't win the \$100 prize I hope I will win the \$5 prize. My mamma and her friends are helping me.

WILL EXCHANGE.

To the Post-Dispatch:

I will exchange Sunday coupons for daily coupons. RICHARD JEFFERSON, 2914 West Calhoun place.

Ex-Confederate Historical Society.

At the regular annual meeting of the Ex-Confederate Historical and Benevolent Association at its rooms, No. 108 Lucas place, last night the following officers for the ensu-

ing year were elected: President, J. W. Howard; Vice-President, C. B. Thompson; Treasurer, Judge Patrick O'Donnell; Secretary, F. T. Chew; Board of Directors, James Griffin, Maj. John F. Nelson, John W. Hennessy and Michael McMahon. Capt. T. T. Taylor presided at the association with the entire master roll of the 8th Missouri Infantry, C. S. A., and the donation was acknowledged with the usual formalities. A resolution was adopted empowering the Board of Directors to draft a memorial programme for use upon the occasion of the death of a member. A number of new members were elected.

IMPORTANT CHANGES.

Commencing Sunday, Dec. 11, through trains of the Chicago & Alton Railroad will leave St. Louis Union depot as follows: Chicago Limited, except Sunday, 8:45 a. m. Chicago Palace Express, daily, 9:15 a. m. Chicago Day Local, daily, 8:15 p. m. Chicago Night Local, daily, 11:40 p. m. Kansas City Vestibuled Limited, daily, 8:40 p. m. Kansas City Express, daily, 8:30 a. m. Solid vestibuled trains running over the only stone ballasted tracks St. Louis to Chicago and St. Louis to Kansas City. Ticket offices: 216 North Broadway and Union Depot.

THE LUCAS SHIP.

Opinions of Naval Architects and Experts on the Plans.

Since the promoters of the Lucas ship enterprise made arrangements for building a ship to ply between St. Louis and South American ports the plan has aroused much interest and doubt as to feasibility among experienced river men as shown in the following letter:

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

I notice an advertisement in your paper inviting the sale of stock in the Lucas ship. I have read many articles in the papers on the subject, but I am not sure of the value of the ship. I have been in the business of building ships for 65 years in New York City and I have built many ships of all kinds of vessels and docks. I built and managed the Lucas ship for 20 years and I know the value of the ship. I built and managed the Lucas ship for 20 years and I know the value of the ship.

In answer to these views, Mr. John F. Cahill, the Mexican Consul who is at the head of the plan, submits the following testimony of experts:

EXPERT TESTIMONY.

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OPINION OF A UNITED STATES ENGINEER.

The following letter was addressed to the Iowa Iron-works by Charles F. Powell, Captain of Engineers of the United States, who has been for many years Secretary of the Mississippi River Commission. Capt. Powell's record is that of an engineer who stands in the front rank of his profession, having accomplished important river and harbor improvements on the Pacific Coast, and is in charge of the channel improvements on the Missouri River.

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OBSERVE THE BEST.

Why the People Should Show Their Appreciation of the Letter Carriers.

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Your Old Friend
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MAY PLAY HERE NEXT YEAR.

The Exposition Directors Make the Gilmore Band an Offer.

The Exposition Directors have authorized Secretary Frank Gilmore to solicit a bid from D. W. Reeves, leader of the Gilmore Band for the services of the organization during the Exposition of 1893. If the bid is a reasonable one there is a strong likelihood of its being accepted. The following letter which Leader Reeves has written to the Provisional Exposition Committee was returned to him by the committee:

To the Editor of the Journal:

The reports that have been going round of the papers about the Gilmore Band have been "most" so wide of the truth that I feel called upon to give you a statement of the true condition of affairs for the benefit of my friends.

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FOR THE POSTMEN.

The Post-Dispatch Inaugurates a Grand Contest for Letter-Carriers—\$1,000 in Gold to Be Distributed Among the Most Popular.

Here Is a Chance for Everybody Who Wishes to Reward the Men Who Are Sharers in Their Joys and Sorrows to Show Their Regard in a Substantial Way.

From the POST-DISPATCH, Wednesday, Nov. 30.

In uniform of gray, with leather pouch hanging from shoulder, with quick walk and alert face, the St. Louis letter-carrier goes his daily rounds.

He is as faithful as any sentinel that ever kept watch along the picket lines of history. Rain or shine, he is at his post of duty every morning. In sunshine or in storm, the letter carrier comes to our doors.

The United States Government employs him as it employs the blue-clad soldier of barracks or of frontier camp. But for the letter-carrier there is scant promotion of merit, there is no chevron on the sleeve for honorable service, there is no officer's commission possible in the future, to fire his zeal. He does his duty, and if he does it well it is for duty's sake alone.

That he does it well we all know.

How close to one's own life story he is. From him, standing at the front door, is handed the message that brings new joy and new happiness to its recipient. Through his faithful agency come the tidings from distant loved ones, the messages of hope, of comfort, of encouragement that do so much to brighten our daily lives. Through him they speak to us, the absent friends, the kinspeople, who have thought of us and written good-cher and God-speed.

And through his hands come also the messages of sorrow and bereavement, the news that causes sadness in the home. He is associated with our happiness and with our unhappiness, because he is a part of our daily lives.

And in gladness or in grief, he is always prompt, unfailing, reliable. Sharing our joys and our sorrows, therefore, the letter carrier makes his daily rounds.

He comes when there is rejoicing in the house, and the merry peal of his signal adds to the rejoicing.

He comes when there is woe, and betrays a silent sympathy.

He gets to know all the members of the family, the little children, the daughter just blooming into womanhood, the son just beginning the real battle of life on the verge of manhood, the old people. We all nod and smile and speak to him as we meet his familiar, gray figure on the "home block." He has been "our postman" for years it may be.

And for years he goes on doing his daily duty, unobtrusively, quietly, faithfully, asking no especial recognition as reward, interested in the lives of many people, the friend of many boys and girls, thinking, perhaps, when he smiles at them, of his own little ones at home.

The Post-Dispatch wants to remember the letter carrier in a substantial manner, and in a way that will allow its patrons to name the most popular carrier in the city of St. Louis.

With this end in view, it proposes to begin a "Letter-carrier Contest" next Sunday, Dec. 4.

The sum of \$1,000 in gold will be distributed in this contest to the six most popular St. Louis letter-carriers.

The gifts in the "Post-Dispatch Letter-Carrier Contest" will be as follows:

First Prize.....	\$ 500 in gold
Second Prize.....	250 in gold
Third Prize.....	100 in gold
Fourth Prize.....	75 in gold
Fifth Prize.....	50 in gold
Sixth Prize.....	25 in gold
Total.....	\$1,000 in gold

This will be a contest for the home patrons of the Post-Dispatch, the readers of this paper who live in St. Louis.

A "Letter Carrier Contest Coupon" will be printed in the Post-Dispatch every day.

Out the coupon out and give it to your letter-carrier, writing his name in the blank space left for that purpose, or save them and send them in at the end of the contest to be placed to his credit.

The Post-Dispatch wants this contest to be a fair expression of the choice of the people of St. Louis. Therefore, it will not sell papers in large quantities outside of dealers. As in the boys' and girls' Christmas contest inaugurated by the Post-Dispatch, every endeavor will be used to have everything fair and square.

The Post-Dispatch letter-carriers' contest will open Dec. 4, 1892.

It will close March 4, 1893.

You like the letter-carrier who comes to your block with his pouch full of letters for your household and those of your neighbors. Vote for him, vote every day and thus help him to a share of that \$1,000 in gold, perhaps to the \$500 gift.

The letter-carrier's success in this contest depends altogether on the people whom he has served so faithfully. Don't fail him now that you have a chance to show him that you appreciate his work. Remember that he has never failed you, and vote for him.

Gifts aggregating \$1,000 in gold will be given to the letter carriers of St. Louis by the Post-Dispatch. The distribution of these gifts is in the hands of the readers of the Post-Dispatch.

Your carrier will appreciate your efforts in his behalf. Any one of the gifts, especially that first one of \$500 in gold, would be a mighty nice tribute to the carrier in your district. But you will have to help him receive such a tribute.

Clip the "Post-Dispatch Letter-Carrier Contest Coupon" from the Post-Dispatch every day, or have the children do it, and save it for the benefit of your letter carrier.

THE CRISIS PASSED.

French Government Affairs Again on Firm Ground.

THE RIBOT MINISTRY RECEIVED WITH HEARTY APPROVAL.

Sensational Charges at the Alhiward Trial in Berlin—English Farmers Favor Protective Tariff—Political Crisis Imminent at Buenos Ayres—Typhoid Epidemic in Mexico—Foreign News.

PARIS, Dec. 8.—Soon after 6 o'clock yesterday evening a cluster of people was observed reading on a poster on the walls of the Ministry of Marine building the declaration which had been read tremblingly only two hours before by Premier Ribot. The speed with which the poster was got out indicates the intense anxiety with which the Government is watching and which it is powerless to withstand, what is throughout called a conspiracy, not only against the Republic, but against the State. Couched in terms of high-minded patriotism, M. Ribot's statement places recent incidents in their proper perspective, recalling the all but frenzied or bewitched deputies to a sense of their responsibilities and obligations. Had yesterday's attempt failed to bring quietude, President Carnot himself would have been insulted, and his official existence would have been menaced. Happily, time and cleverness worked on the same side, discovered how to avert the thunderbolt. The ambassadors representative of the two parties to the Dreibund watching Premier Ribot's literally trembling fingers as they fumbled the leaves of his statement. All listened with breathless expectancy. The first expression of assent came with the words "Full light and prompt decisions." From that point the low, deep tones of the reader were respectfully followed, until at the words "You will thus frustrate the snares placed in your pathway," one half of the chamber broke into applause. At the conclusion of the Premier's speech the whole left and center gave a ringing shout of approval, and word went round the galleries, "He has a majority."

There was great curiosity in the chamber to-day to hear Minister Bourgeois. He impressed one as a strong man. He had a collected, self-assured appearance. When interrupted he calmly waited, with his hands thrust in his pockets, and his presence of mind never deserted him. The highest clearly disliked him.

M. Chevallier, formerly factotum to M. Barbe's agent, M. Vian, declares that M. Barbe in 1888 took him to bank of France and compelled him to endorse and cash Baron Reinach's check to the bearer for 500,000 francs. Some months later M. Barbe showed Chevallier a letter signed by M. Martin threatening an exposure of M. Barbe for accepting a bribe, and compelled M. Chevallier to write a letter denying that he had ever cashed a check for M. Barbe.

BRITISH TOPICS.

PROTECTION IMPORTS FAVORED BY THE AGRICULTURISTS.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—Great interest is being taken throughout the United Kingdom in the proceedings of the Farmers' Conference, particularly in the claims so persistently made that protection is the only thing that can relieve the farming classes from their present unsatisfactory condition. The Times, Standard, Chronicle and Daily News tell the farmers that protection is absolutely impossible in England. It is noted that in the proposal for the levying of high duties, submitted to the conference, no suggestion of the exemption of colonial product from the proposed duties was made. The crisis in the farming industry is causing a great increase in the number of inquiries being received from people of the farming class thinking of emigrating. The Lord Mayor of London is being urged to form a special emigration committee.

The fears that were entertained at the Stock Exchange of a collapse in silver values appear to have vanished. Silver securities have strengthened during the last two days, the paper closing yesterday 1/2 better on the day. It is again risen to-day. It is predicted that the failure of the International Monetary Conference will have no effect upon the Stock Exchange. Most of the securities held here are gold obligations, and it is reported that the more silver falls in value

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The Irish home rule bill has been drafted and circulated among members of the Cabinet.

The Baroness de Roques has again visited her daughter, Mrs. Maybrick, at Woking Prison. The Baroness reports that the condition of Mrs. Maybrick is worse; that she is unable to retain food and that she is prostrated from spasms of the heart. The Baroness has no hope that her daughter will survive.

AILHWARD'S TRIAL.

VERY GENERAL SYMPATHY FOR THE ACCUSED.

BERLIN, Dec. 9.—Rector Alhiward was sufficiently recovered to-day to allow his trial to proceed. The public prosecutor caused surprise in court by making an announcement that Alhiward had deliberately brought about the illness which disabled him yesterday. The prosecutor said that two morphine powders had been found in Alhiward's pocket, and also a letter signed for him by the defendant, in which the defendant proposed to describe his illness to the attending physician. The trial is proceeding. There is much popular sympathy for Alhiward, and a proportionate increase of animosity toward the Jews. Frequent instances are reported of Jews having their heads pulled in the streets, and of other indignities being inflicted by unruly individuals. On this account many of the Polish Jews resident in Berlin hold their heads with their hands, when going about the rougher portions of the city.

Some of them, notwithstanding this precaution, have had handfuls of hair snatched away. The enemies of the Jews indulge in all sorts of charges against them, the favorite allegation being usury, and that they are devoid of patriotic spirit.

MONETARY CONFERENCE.

BI-METALLISTS CONDEMN THE ACTION OF GREAT BRITAIN.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 9.—The bi-metallist delegates to the International Monetary Conference are discussing whether or not they shall unite in signing a memorandum on the obstruction offered by Great Britain to a determination of the questions before the conference. If the conference resumes its sittings after a prolonged adjournment such a protest is conceived likely to induce the British Government to present to the conference a decided policy through its delegates acting in union thereon. The present British delegation appears to have been sent purposely to muddle the proceedings. There is no cohesion among the British representatives, either as to principles or procedure. Each delegate appears to act as an individual agent, except Sir C. Rivers and Sir F. Fremantle, Deputy Master of the British Mint, the latter of whom used his official position to disclaim any responsibility for the proposals presented by Mr. Alfred de Rothschild.

Mr. Bertram Currie and Sir William Houlds have not a single idea in common, and they have a strong mutual contempt for each other's views. Neither Gen. Strachey nor Sir Gulliver Moresworth, the Indian delegates, have official orders as to the course to take. It has been made clear that the British Government has purposely avoided giving any instructions regarding the common action of its delegates upon any point whatever. It is now obvious that this course was designed to foil the conference in coming to any general or special solution of the silver question.

GENERAL FOREIGN NEWS.

POLITICAL CRISIS IMMINENT AT BUENOS AYRES.

BUENOS AYRES, Dec. 9.—A political crisis is imminent. The Senate by a two-thirds vote

suspended from duty all judges who tried

Pizarro on charges of frauds. During the debate it was declared that all the members of the judiciary were corrupt. In many places this opinion is confirmed.

There is trouble in the Cabinet over the action of the Senate and the President's prolonged indecision on important questions. Congress has reduced the army to 10,000 men. Dispatches from Porto Alegre say that the Government has manifested its pleasure over the arrest of many Federalists on the frontier in the Province of Corrientes, Argentina. But in Argentina a different sentiment prevails.

The province believes the pursuit and capture to be a violation of foreign territory contrary to political usages. There is likely to be a lively dispute between Brazil and Argentina over the question.

QUEBEC'S PREMIER.

QUEBEC, Dec. 9.—Mr. De Borcherville has agreed to retain the premiership of Quebec for the present, but it is generally believed that he will retire before long in favor of Mr. Fyran or Mr. Caisman as Mr. Tassion had declined.

QUEBEC, Dec. 9.—Mr. Chapleau will be sworn in as the Lieutenant-Governor at Quebec Monday.

TYPHOID EPIDEMIC.

SAN LUIS POTOSI, Mexico, Dec. 9.—Typhoid fever in its most malignant type is raging in this city and throughout the State in the small towns. Several hundred deaths have occurred in the last three weeks, and the number of fatalities daily from the fever is from twenty to fifty. The epidemic is attributed to the severe drought which has prevailed for the past four years.

BRIEF CABLEGRAMS.

The Government of Switzerland has ratified the treaty recently negotiated with France.

The Anarchist, Francois, has been arraigned before a Paris magistrate. He denied his complicity in the Cafe Very outrage.

A sensation has been caused at Hamburg by the suspension of Carow & Bartels, stock brokers. Carow has absconded, but the police are following him. Bartels has surrendered. Liabilities, 1,500,000 marks.

Queer Situation in Tany County.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Dec. 9.—All criminal proceedings in Tany County courts came to a sudden termination yesterday by proceedings brought against Benjamin Price, elected to the office of Prosecuting Attorney by the Republicans, to declare him incompetent. When the parties of Tany County nominated candidates for Prosecuting Attorney neither could find a suitable man for the place. The Democrats secretly nominated C. B. Sharp of Osark, Christian County and Republican, nominated Benjamin Price of this city. Neither candidate, not being a resident of the county, was eligible. Price was elected. The proceedings against him are to prevent his taking the office on account of his ineligibility. Sharp cannot be decided elected, and the people are in a quandary as to what course to take.

The Globe for Christmas Presents.

Embroidered Dress Shirts, 50c to \$2.50. Night shirts (embroidered fronts), 75c to \$4. Initial and Japanese Silk Handkerchiefs, 50c to \$1. Embroidered suspenders in glass cases, 75c to \$2.50. Ties, 50c and 75c. Hand Neckwear, 25c to \$2. Finest Silk Numbers, 75c to \$4. Rebuilding sale.

GLOBE, 701 to 713 Franklin avenue.

His Name Must Have Done It.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 9.—Hard Hearing Fool, a Rosebud Sioux Indian, was taken to-day from the county jail in this city to Washington, D. C., where he will be confined in the National Insane Asylum. Fool is mildly crazy, and will be the first Sioux ever taken to an insane asylum by the Government.

Suicide of a Wife Murderer.

READING, Pa., Dec. 9.—Frank Kerker, under a twelve years' sentence for wife murder, has committed suicide in the Berks County jail by hanging himself.

CARVING SETS FOR XMAS GIFTS.

\$10 to \$100. Mermord & Jaccard's, Broadway, cor. Loeb's.

IRON TRADE.

Dealers Waiting for the Action of Congress.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 9.—In its comments on the conditions of the iron and ore market the Iron Trade Review says: There is waiting in the iron trade and with the waiting there is uneasiness. If Mr. Cleveland and the leaders of his party would announce whether or no an extra session of Congress is looked for, and if yes, what manner of tariff legislation is on the programme, there would be an end to so much of the present hesitation as is bogged down by uncertainty. Quietness is to be looked for in many lines, preliminary to stock taking, and it is not unusual to have a brief halt in the opening of a new year, but reports agree that the existing condition has more in it than the time of the year. Two weeks ago we wrote that the conditions surrounding the iron trade are such as to give the warrant of solidity to every symptom that counts for the better. Decreasing pig-iron stocks and the probability that furnace output will be kept on the level list by the conservative policy of the iron trade, are factors which tend to the advance that has been asked in the past six weeks. The iron ore market is temporarily in a condition in which it can report nothing for there are no transactions and none of any moment are expected until after the first of the year. The belief is general among local sales agents that a goodly number of furnaces have not covered their requirements up to the opening of navigation and that there is prospect of considerable winter buying, if there is a general operation of furnaces running at full capacity. The reports from the valley, of possible resumption by furnaces are premature in one instance at least. The Mary furnace at St. Ruthers, will not blow in for the present and no date has been fixed. Sales of pig iron in the Cleveland market are practically on the basis of the past month. Sellers are not forcing matters in the evident disposition of buyers to keep closer than ever to the wants of the immediate future. The situation in the valley continues to be that of operation to the fullest capacity, but with orders of production on the books to equal the pace of production. Some close competition is reported in recent contracts, and the gradual resumption of the various departments of the Carnegie mills is echoed in all quarters of the finished steel market.

COAL FAMINE.

Suffering for Fuel in Nebraska, Iowa and South Dakota.

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ANOTHER ASPIRANT.

Goddard Wants to Fight for the Championship.

HE CHALLENGES CORBETT TO MEET HIM WITHIN A YEAR.

The Fight at Coney Island a Bar-Room Scrimmage—Maher a Disappointment—Tommy Ryan Matched With Dawson—Results of Last Night's Fights—Gossip From the Turf—Sporting News.

New York, Dec. 8.—There are now three men yearning with more or less earnestness to try conclusions with Jim Corbett for the championship. Everyone knows that it is the ambition of Peter J. J. Goddard to settle the difference with Corbett which their long fought draw left undetermined. A cable from London last night states that Pony Moore, Charlie Mitchell's father-in-law, has posted a forfeit of \$2,000 to bind a match with the champion for \$10,000 a side, and now Joe Goddard, flushed with last night's victory, comes forward as an aspirant for championship honors and joins the two others in camping on Corbett's trail. Joe Goddard is very modest and does not expect the champion to fight him for a year, but the Australian has no lack of confidence in his ability to win when the time comes.

After his fight with Maher last night Joe Goddard said: "Maher is a terrific biter, but not as good a man as I expected to meet. After the first round I was satisfied I could beat him." As to his intention for the future Goddard said emphatically: "I mean to make Jim Corbett fight. He has been calling me down long enough, and I think that I have demonstrated by this time that I have a right to aspire to the championship of the world. Corbett cannot be a champion and a play actor at the same time. I shall post a forfeit of \$1,000 and if he don't consent to fight within a year I shall forfeit the forfeit so that I can get out of the match." Goddard is one of the cleverest men I ever saw, but he cannot hit one-fifth as hard as the man I have just beaten. Corbett has ignored my challenge, but I don't see how he can get out of the match. I admit that I am not a sportsman, but I don't think much of Goddard's claims. After his exhibition last night they say he was common amusement for scientific fighters like Corbett or Jackson, or even Bob Fitzsimmons.

It took but a few words to finish Peter Maher at the Coney Island Athletic Club last

night. The battle was devoid of science, neither man showing kenanship or the slightest knowledge of ring tactics. Maher was unquestionably a disappointment. The fight he put up was as ridiculous and disastrous as Don Quixote's onslaught on the windmill. Goddard is a typical fighting animal, coarse savage, beetle-browed and bull-necked, fought like a demon. His movements were awkward but full of force. He rushed at his man in hurricane style, moved his arms like a windmill and rained his blows without foresight. His adversary, confused by his tactics, retreated in the same style and the fight became a bloody contest of brute strength. Maher was deficient in power and succumbed from pure weariness, more fought out than whipped in the third round. Aside from the character of the men the fight was a regular bar-room scrimmage. Goddard bore the most signs of punishment, his cheek bone having been split open and the flesh about his right eye beaten to a pulp. There was enough unadvised punishment on his face to broken rapturous joy when he was pronounced himself. He has thousands of dollars ahead on the result. Maher had few marks after the heavy fighting, but he seemed to realize all that defeat meant. Peter is now an exploded star.

The club-house was crowded, and though the mill was not of a high order, the quantity of bets seemed to satisfy the crowd. As usual something happened to the railroad and the crowd were left at the mercy of the Coney Island hotel-keepers for the night.

GRIFIN, MURPHY AND WHITE.
"Johnny" Griffin of Braintree, Mass., and "Billy" Murphy of Australia, will probably be matched the latter part of this week. The Olympic Club of New Orleans has offered a \$4,000 purse for the men to fight next month, and the chances are that they will accept. Murphy has now a match with "Tommy" White of Chicago, which will come off the latter part of this month. The Australian says that if he is successful he will immediately sign articles to meet Griffin. These men have met before. Both are remarkably clever, and Murphy is credited with one victory over the Braintree lad, whom he defeated in three rounds a few years ago. But the Griffin-to-day is much better man, and the tables are liable to be turned by Griffin and in order to get the latter must go against Murphy.

THE MAIL-FITZSIMMONS FIGHT.
New Orleans, La., Dec. 9.—Wall's articles to fight Fitzsimmons were received here before he arrived in New York. They stipulate that the club deposit \$5,000 as a guarantee that the fight come off and that the weight be 160 pounds nothing in his pocket. The club will respect the wishes of the Cavalry society. Capt. Williams has gone to New York for the purpose of consulting with the principals and arranging all dates. He will also endeavor to secure other boxes of note so as to make up a triple event as attractive as the carnival in which Corbett won the championship.

RYAN WILL MEET DAWSON.
CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 9.—Immediately after the result of the Dawson-O'Connell fight at San Francisco last night, Tommy Ryan affirmed his name to articles of agreement for a fight to a finish with Dawson for a \$5,000 purse before the

Olympic Club of New Orleans, the fight to take place the first week in March. Ryan's backers announced that, aside from the purse he is willing to wager any part of \$10,000 that the international championship will be won by the Chicago man. The articles were signed and forwarded to President Charles Dixon.

DAWSON WHIPS O'CONNELL.
Before the California Athletic Club last night George Dawson of Australia put out "Doc" O'Connell of Boston in twenty rounds. O'Connell showed up well in the early part of the fight and used his left with much cleverness, but Dawson was the better general and much stronger. He let O'Connell do much of the leading and countered savagely. After the tenth round Dawson assumed the advantage and made a chopping block of his opponent. He beat the strength out of him and finished him in the twentieth with a right upper cut.

PUGILISTIC POINTERS.
Billy Myer will accept the Olympic's offer to meet Dick Burke.
E. D. Cole of Jackson, Mich., and H. Moore of Detroit will meet a twenty-four round fight at Jackson last night.
Jim Daly of Philadelphia is matched to fight Tom McCarthy of Chicago at Buffalo on Dec. 20 for a \$2,000 purse and \$1,000 a side.
C. A. C. Smith, the big colored heavy-weight, formerly of Hudson's combination, is telling a story in New York that he recently knocked out Joe Chovinski in the Arlet Club, Philadelphia, but that Parson Davies had the matter kept quiet.

Michael Hough of Brooklyn, and Tommy Creed of New York fought fifty rounds before the Buffalo Athletic Club last night. The fight was scheduled for twenty rounds, but thirty more were fought by the referee's order. Creed was played out at the end of fifty rounds and Hough awarded the fight. The Queensmen-Kennedy contest, which was to be a finish, is the principal local pugilistic event on the "tapir" this week. Both the "Stock Yards" Giant and the big negro have trained faithfully, at least such is what those who have the affair in charge state, and the chances are a rattling good contest will ensue.

THE TURF.
Horse-owner and Jockey J. J. McCafferty has been in the Chicago papers for the most noted characters on the turf, his phenomenal success on the big Eastern tracks the past summer, where he competed against all the crack stables, and in the face of opposition which was not always fair, having made his name familiar wherever interest is taken in fast horses, says a Windy City turf authority.
McCafferty's stable—consisting of forty-two horses, most of them of high quality—is at Columbus, Ga., and will winter there. This is McCafferty's home, and it was on the Southern fields that he gained that intimate and valuable knowledge of horse nature which caused a New York paper to suggest that he start a school for horse-training this winter in Graham. The young turfman is too prudent to say so, but his friends have no doubt that he expects to sweep in many valuable stakes next year East and West. Where three years ago he owned only a few

selling-platers, of which Burch was the star, he now has a string, which in breeding, compares with the best. In the last year he has expended \$2,000 for yearlings alone, and has picked up a full brother to Reporter among them, which he has named Interceptor by the name of Eva Dismore. Both Nichols by the name of Eva Dismore. Both of these and several more are eligible to all the big 2-year-old events of next season. McCafferty says his horses are all doing well.

HERE'S A PRETTY MESS.
New York, Dec. 9.—The Trotting Association's Board of Review had a comparatively short session yesterday. Just before the day's proceedings were over Col. E. S. Edwards of Newark, N. J., a well-known racing judge arrived from Nebraska. Serious charges affecting his honesty in his official capacity were made against him Tuesday morning by the name of New York gave by Uriah Bitzer and John McDaniels, both of Lancaster, Pa., who were fined \$100 each by Col. Edwards at the recent meeting there. The Colonel explained why he was not present Tuesday, and came now in response to disprove charges which reached him only on that day at Lincoln, Neb. He stigmatized the charge as false and malicious, and said with a day or two of grace he could bring plenty of rebuttal. He was one of the toughest day in evidence in favor of the Colonel, and said Bitzer had admitted to him that he had been pulling the gelding, John Strohm, for two seasons past.

HE RUNS TO-DAY.
People were startled to hear at North Bergen Tuesday that Bradley had stated his belief in the necessity of giving Bradley a rest. That Bradley should rest any horse over Sunday came in the nature of a surprise to his acquaintances, says a Gotham turf authority, but he is on record as saying that a rest of a couple of weeks will do him very much good. The game and reliable colt has certainly earned it, and, as he wins about three races a week for Mr. Bradley, it would do no harm to let him rest until the Christmas holidays.

THOSE SALVATOR YEARLINGS.
A story from San Francisco says that the wealthy offspring of salvator are attracting much attention there from those who have visited Mr. J. B. Haggin's Rancho del Poco. The one most liked for his looks is the chestnut colt from the mare Chibarra, she by Imp. Mortimer. The weanling, much of the color and markings of Salvator. Another by Salvator—Lou Lanier, has favorably attracted the eye of the critics. Exploidy, Maude Hampton and Firenze are now in foal to Salvator.

VALUABLE COLTS SOLD.
LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 9.—Gideon, a bay colt, 2 years old, by Winton, dam Qui Vive by Sentinel, has been sold by Bowerman Bros. of this city to C. H. and S. E. Coe of New York City for \$2,000. The same breeders sold to the Messrs. Coe a 3-year-old bay colt by Winton, dam by Mambrina Patchen for \$2,000, at East St. Louis.

PAT CONLEY, who several weeks ago defeated King Crab, Hizen, Kirkover and other good ones at Guttenburg, had a tough job of it winning yesterday's handicap at East St. Louis. He just did manage to nose out Van Zant and Reputation, who ran a dead heat

for the place. The winner opened at 10 and closed at 4 to 1. The pair that were tied for the place each closed at 4 to 1. Bob Francis, first choice at 2 to 1, won the opening scramble easily by three or four lengths. Joe Cassidy, another favorite at 5 to 2, defeated Marquette, second choice at 2 to 1, by a neck in the next race. Martha W. was backed down from even money to 7 to 10 to win the third race, but Cotta at 8 to 1 won hands down by two lengths. The closing brought a big bet to the post, out of which Ballardine and Barthol closed equal first choices at 3 to 1. In a bang-up finish, in which almost the whole field participated, Reserve, second choice at 4 to 1, won by half a length.

AT GLOUCESTER—Arlington (Bergen), 4 to 1; Plover (H. Jones), 5 to 2; Great Gun (Kuchen), 4 to 5, and Can't Tell (Ham), 3 to 2.
At Guttenburg—Stephen (H. Jones), 4 to 1; Blacklock (H. Jones), 5 to 2; Early (Brooks), 1 to 2; Vale Arena (Smedley), 2 to 1; Faste (Pine), 4 to 1, and Thorndale (Marshall), 2 to 1.
At North Bergen last night, 3 to 1; Aurora (Hornale), 3 to 1; Royal Flash (Hornale), 3 to 1; Northwestern (Mentel), 4 to 5, and Gay (Steele), 11 to 5.
At Hawthorne—Lemon Blossom (Finck), 13 to 10; Critic (Tavlor), 7 to 5; Esthail (Leonard), even; Jean (Cottrell), 5 to 1, and Billy Flarestone (S. Hall), 4 to 5.

TRACK TALK.
Barney Schrieber was one of the few that had money on Pat Conley yesterday.

Arthur White could not pick a winner yesterday. He was one of the toughest day in evidence in favor of the Colonel, and said Bitzer had admitted to him that he had been pulling the gelding, John Strohm, for two seasons past.

Service, who is by the Imp. Woodlands, is a full brother to that good horse, Servitor, who defeated the great Aloha in the mud at the Fair Grounds last spring. Servitor ran at North Bergen last winter, and when Fred Gerhardt brought him out West last spring he defeated Aloha and won one or two other good races, however. Gerhardt disposed of him to the Messrs. Coe of New York City, and the Gambrianus stable. Servitor is at present wintering with the rest of the Gambrianus at Louisville.

The finish in yesterday's handicap was about as close as affairs has ever taken place on a Western race track. It was won by a whisker, with Van Zant on one side and Reputation on the other, tied for the place. Those that held second place bet on the latter two secured one-fourth of the price marked against their money by the bookmakers. To say that it was about as close as a handicap has ever been run would not be too far from the truth. It remained many of the initial Brooklyn handicap, when Dry Monopoly, Blue Wing and Hildaigo finished almost nose apart. In the order named. This, however, can hardly be said to have equaled yesterday's performance.

Auctioneer Hewitt started out to dispose of some poor classed race horses, although many present denied that they were such. In front of the judge's stand at the track yesterday, and after exercising his lungs for some time threw up the job in disgust, after most of the consignment had been bid in by their owners. Harry Schrieber wanted to sell Cor-

licell, a royally bred animal, but could not get his price, \$200, and refused to let Ten Brock's son go for anything less. Kammerer's stable, which included Gov. Wheeler, Ed Finn and the 2-year-old Gams, were also knocked down to their owner, who thought anything less than \$200 for either of them was too small. The rest of the consignment did not amount to much.

Hank Combs, who trains Vanant and Pat Conley, was of the opinion that the former would win yesterday and showed the confidence he had in him by betting heavily on Vanant, although not heavily. Hank was about as much surprised at the excellent manner in which Pat Farrell's son performed as even those who thought he would not even show among a field that included matter, laughed and replied: "Well, you have not seen that he is not neglected entirely. He starts to-day in a thirteen-sixteenths of a mile affair, but will hardly make much of a showing against St. Francis, providing the latter performs as he did Wednesday."

"How did the Lamasney Bros. come to name a gelding Lillian? Is a question one hears every day from the regulars at the course across the river quite frequently of late, especially since the animal mentioned has been named after the wife of the owner of the Lamasney Bros. who is a millionaire tobacco merchant's friend, but what sex the friend was I am in ignorance of. I suppose he had his own reasons for calling him Lillian."

THE WHEEL.
The formation of a pneumatic tire trust is reported. An English firm is backing the enterprise, and two prominent American firms have already joined. Other manufacturers will follow. It is said, and thus give the new trust virtual control of the American tire product.

CYCLE CHAT.
A Japanese smoker is the latest cycling craze. The decorations and arrangements are all Japanese and "innocent merriment" is kept up all evening.

After a spin on the wheel do not immediately take a bath; better rest and cool off for at least five minutes after betting. Lie down, covering yourself up with something light and warm.

The new wrinkle of painting bicycle wheels in various colors gives the clubs a gay appearance when they are out on a run.

Triplet racing promises to be a feature of next year's track events. A number of the machines are being built about the country.

BASE BALL.
Ned Hanlon, the well-known base ball player, is in favor of putting the pitcher back about eight feet, which, he says, will not take away his effectiveness or destroy his skill. "What the people want to see," he

says, "is action in the game, and in order to get that requisite the ball must be hit, and only by this can you develop the features of the game. These are batting, fielding and particularly base running." Hanlon hits the base ball squarely on the head.

Van Halten is pitching for the Oakland Club of the California League.

It is almost a sure thing that Danny Richardson will be a Giant again next season. The Cincinnati Club have lines out for Outfielder McCann of the Chattanooga Club.

Van der Ahe says if the bases are put further apart he will have to buy wings for several of his players.

Anson expects a revival in Chicago next season. Get the team, old man, and the revival will materialize.

The Pittsburgh Club has made a big offer to Boston for the services of Billy Nash. The great third baseman will remain in Boston.

The Philadelphia Club will sign a number of young players at a nominal salary, hoping to have luck enough to develop a "phenom" among the lot.

Buste, Tiernan and Fuller have been released from the New York Club, but there are no reports of managers tumbling over themselves to secure their valuable services.

SPORTING NOTES.
In the twenty-sixth game of the cushion carrom handicap tournament, at the Jewel Billiard Hall last evening, Reed (handicap 50) defeated Stone (handicap 55) by a score of 10 to 7. The game to-night will be between Wilson and Kudolph.

The eleventh game of the cushion carrom tournament at Furber's, between Manning (50) and Jones (55), was won by Jones by a score of 100 to 75. Average, 1.80-2. The twelfth game, to-night, will be between Reed and Stone.

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25c, 50c and 50c, splendid cassimere pants, 75c to \$1.25. Boys' long pants, 50c to \$1. Rebuilding sale. Glens, 701 to 715 Franklin av.

For Stealing Fire Lead.
Detective Michael McCabe of the Iron Mountain Railroad yesterday arrested Geo. Mills at Blomack, Mo., on a clew furnished by Officer James Foristal of Carondelet, for robbing cars loaded with pig lead near the Jupiter Iron Works. Two of Mills' consorts escaped. Mills was lodged in the Carondelet Police station.

Important to Householders.
While there is still a shortage of coal and coke, the Berry-Horn Coal Co., 310 Pine, are delivering promptly the best of hard and soft coals, Pittsburgh Gas Coke, lump and crushed sizes.

A Key Cutter.
Thomas Dowling, aged 12, was cut in the shoulder by Joseph Hubbard, aged 18, as they were leaving St. Cronin's Parochial school on Wednesday last. Hubbard was locked up at Tower Grove station, but was afterward released, as Dowling's parents refused to prosecute.